



**Recognizing our Award Recipients /
Overview of what we know now**

Thursday, July 16

We will start the meeting at 7:00 pm

Welcome to the first TBirds Virtual Town Hall!

- This meeting is being recorded and will be posted on our website
- The purpose is to provide an update and we will answer any questions that had been submitted, however we will not be taking any live questions or comments this evening. Please either send questions to the Host in the chat function or email Tanya at tfoley@vancouverbirds.ca following the Town Hall and we will include responses in an upcoming email.



**Volunteer Awards
2019-20 Season**



Brad Addison Coach of the Year Below Atom

Established several years ago to commemorate the memory of Brad Addison, the Brad Addison Coach of the Year Award is awarded to a Hockey 1, 2, 3 or 4 coach who best exemplifies the qualities that made Brad a great coach - teaching the skills of the game, love of hockey, patience with the players and FUN.

Co-Winners: Neil Smith & Paul Casey



Neil Smith



Paul Casey



Atom/Peewee - Coach of the Year

Coach of the Year Awards will be given to a coach in either recreational or rep based on the following criteria: Exhibits dedication and service well beyond the normal expectation of a coach; Follows Fair Play Codes, emphasizes skills development and the fundamentals of the game; Takes part in coach development programs; Demonstrated and promoted good sportsmanship and citizenship; Demonstrated a respect for the game of hockey and Demonstrated a commitment to improving the game of hockey within Vancouver Thunderbirds Hockey.

Winner: Dennis Dong





Bantam/Midget - Coach of the Year

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Winner: Steven Maisey





Manager of the Year

Awarded to a manager in any division who has made exceptional effort to organize and leads the team to a terrific season of hockey while helping create positive experiences for all team members.

Winner: Lorna Braber





Junior Referee of the Year Award

This award is presented to a Level 1 official (aged 12-15) that best exemplifies the characteristics of an up-and-coming official. Some of the characteristics include the use of proper on-ice procedures, consistently being on time, shows a desire to improve, has a good working relationship with fellow officials, is hard working and fully engaged on the ice.

Winner: Dana Edamura

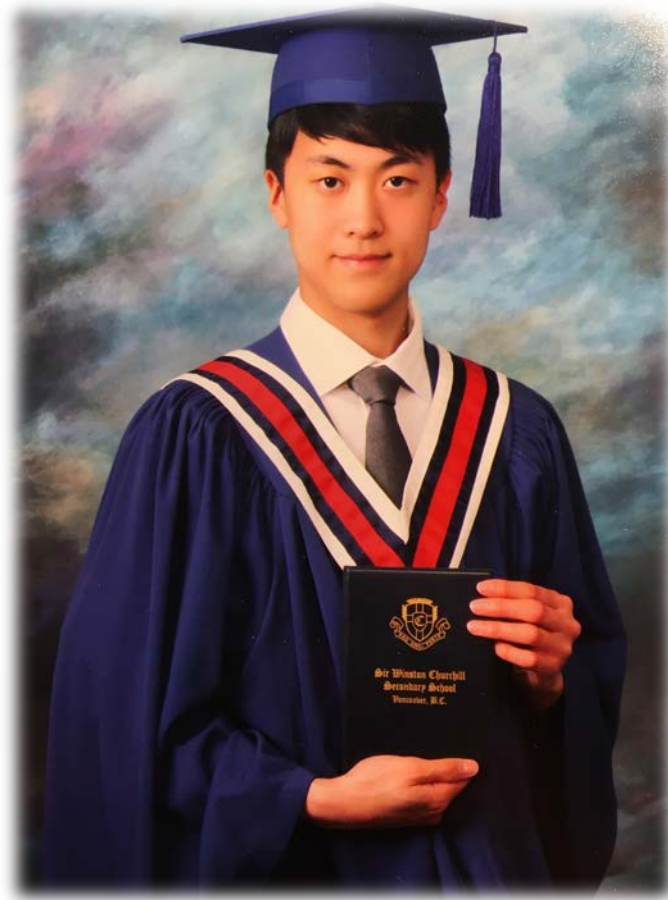




Senior Referee of the Year Award

This award is presented to a Level 2-or-higher official (aged 16 and above) that exemplifies the characteristics of a successful experienced official. Some characteristics include the use of proper on-ice procedures, is consistently on time, endeavors to improve, works well with fellow officials, is hard working, is fully engaged on the ice, and has excellent rapport with players and team officials. The successful candidate will also give back to the program by helping mentor and develop up and coming officials.

Winner: Jeffrey Lim





William Staiger Volunteer Player of the Year Award

Established in 2007/08 in memory of William Staiger, a dedicated Thunderbird Alumnus who returned to help coach. It is open to any TBird alumni in any role, with preference to a coach.

Winner: Jim Davis





Don Currie Award

In honor of Don Currie who continues to dedicate so much time and energy to Minor Sports and has done for so many years. It is awarded to a long-standing volunteer coach in the Vancouver Thunderbird organization.

Winner: Matt McColl

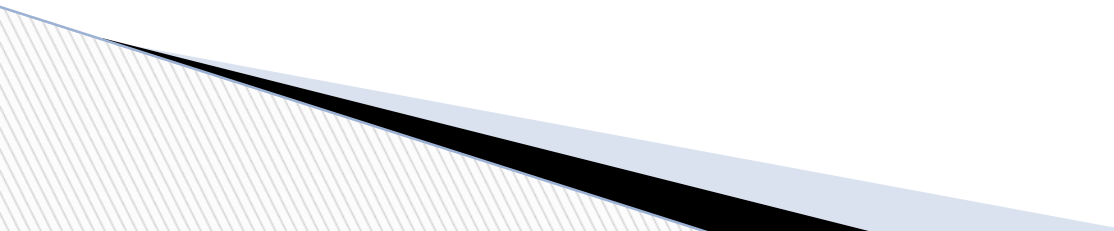




TBirds Years of Service Award

**Awarded to Coaches and Team Managers who have filled the role for at least
5 years within Vancouver Thunderbirds Hockey.**

TBirds Years of Service Award

- Brand new initiative
 - First step = review of all those rostered on teams last season
 - Next step = discovering those from the past who also belong on the list
 - We will be asking for names to be submitted later this season to assist with identifying those that qualify
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Coaches – 5 Years of Service



ALEX AULD	GRANT GIBSON
DAVID BAKONYI	JEFF GRAVISTIN
JOHN BECKER	RICHARD HORNE
JASON CHIU	JAY HOTHI
JONATHON COWAN	KEVIN HUNTER
MARK CYLWA	BRENT IVERSON
STEVE DALLYN	COLIN JOE
BRIAN DARTNELL	BLAKE JOHNSTON
QUINN DAWSON	MIKE JOYCE
GEOFF DEAR	MIKE KAUFFMAN
DENNIS DONG	BILL KERASIoTIS
MATT DONNELLY	DARREN LARTER
DARRAN EDMUNDSON	JON LAZAR
DOUG ELLIOTT	JIM LEBEDOVICH
JAMES FAIRWEATHER	BYRON LONNEBERG
GARY FLOYD	ANDREW LOWTHER
RYAN FOREMAN	JAMES LUKAN
GRANT FOULDS	ERNIE MA

Coaches – 5 Years of Service



DEREK MAH	MIKE RUSCH
VIREN MALIK	JEFF SCOTT
DAVE MARK	JEAN SEGUIN
TONY MARTIN	JEFF SETO
BRAD MARTYNIUK	CHRIS SHARPLES
DARIN MCDOUGALL	JOHN STARK
TIM MCGEE	BRUCE STEBBINGS
BRUCE MCLEOD	STEVEN TAIT
STEPHEN MICHAUD	MARTIN TURENNE
KAROL MIKULASH	SHANE UREN
JASON MOON	DUANE VAN
RANDY MORPHY	ULF VON
PETE MORRISH	MARC WEN
DOUG PARK	JASON WILKINS
RON PARMITER	CHRIS WONG
DENIS PEREGRYM	STEVE YAN
MIKE RAMAGE	STEVEN YAU
SHAWN READ	MARK YEUNG

Managers – 5 Years of Service



MICHELLE BANCROFT	MARTY KWONG
ELSIE BURKART	DIAN MOON
MIKE FEELEY	DEBORAH MUGGLI MANSON
HARALD GABER	ANN MUKAI
BRUCE GREGG	HAREESH SARA
PETER JOSEPH	NICOLE SHAPRAY
MAURY KOLOF	

Coaches – 10 Years of Service



MAWI BAGON	BRUCE HALDENBY
TROY BAILLY	BRYAN HALL
BRIAN BARTLETT	SCOTT HINCH
GRANT BELL	JAY HISCOX
DAN CHAN	BONNIE-LYNN HOLTER
BRUCE CHOW	MURRAY MANSON
JAMES DAVIS	MATT MCCOLL
PAUL DHALIWAL	JIM MCGREGOR
DARRAN EDAMURA	TERRY NEILL
MIKE EPP	BRIAN OUNSTED
SHANE EPP	GREG ROZITIS
DAVID FERGUSON	STEVE SAMMUT
NAT FERNANDEZ	PERRY SKALENDA
SAM GUTMAN	MIKE TODD

Coaches – 15 Years of Service



Danny Hildebrand

Coaches – 20 Years of Service



Gary Hunter

Coaches – 25 Years of Service



Mike Manning



President's Service Award

This award is presented to an individual or individuals that have made significant contributions to the association for the betterment of the entire Vancouver Thunderbirds Hockey community.

Winner: David Ferguson





Eliopoulos Outstanding Contribution Award

Recognizing a person or persons for providing committed and dedicated service to the Thunderbirds.

Winner: Mike Manning



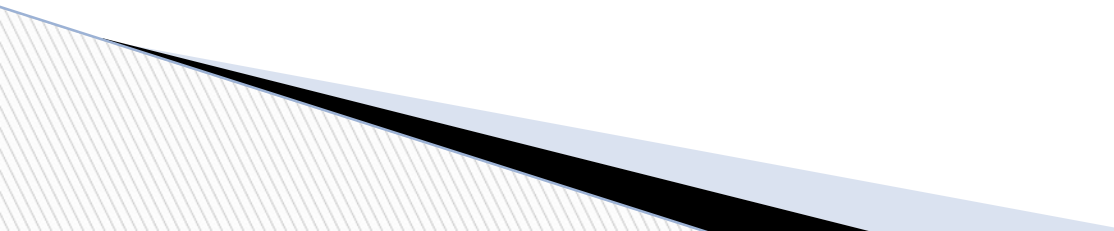


**Dale Cheney Scholarship Award Recipients
2019-20 Season**

TBirds' Dale Cheney Scholarship Winners

Vancouver Thunderbirds awards a number of scholarships in memory of Dale Cheney, a long-time coach and executive within the Thunderbirds.

Recognizes Grade 12 students for their leadership abilities, good sportsmanship, character, and above average academic achievement.





John Atkins



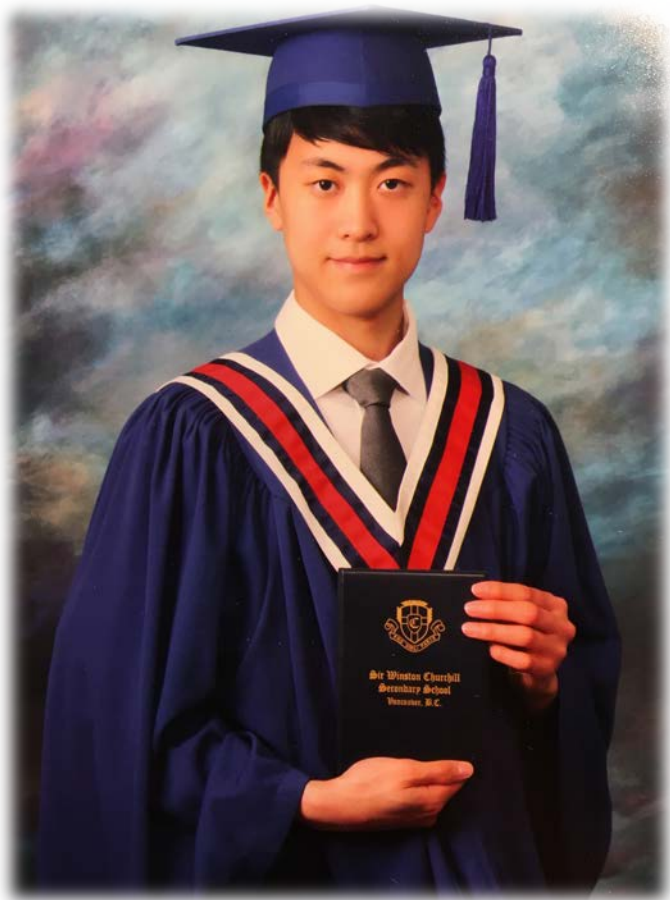
Yiannis Cunning



Jonah Fairweather



Jackson Ferguson



Jeffrey Lim



Alex Lonnenberg



Ryan Manning



Connor McDougall



Max Sadler



Nolan Sammut



Nicholas Yip

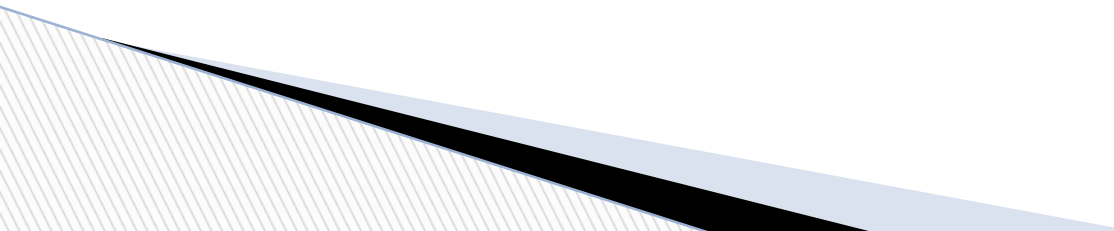
**Congratulations
and
good luck next year!**



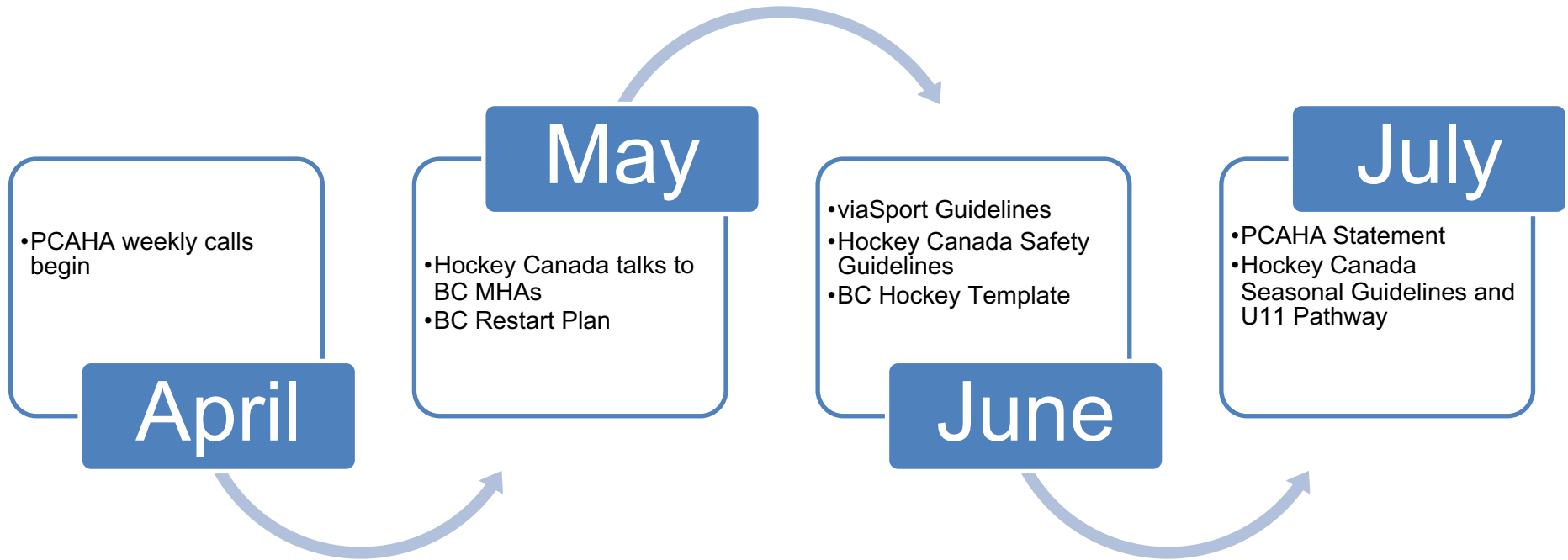


The Off-Season like none before...

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- We are ready – we have plans for strong programming under a variety of circumstances
 - We are waiting for others before we can finalize our pathway
 - As soon as we know, we will let you know
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Timeline Overview



June

- viaSport Guidelines
- Hockey Canada Safety Guidelines
- BC Hockey Template

June



viaSport Guidelines



March to
May 19, 2020

Strictest Controls

PHASE 1

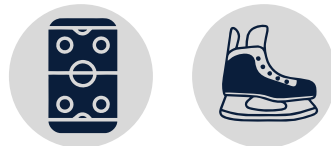
- Individual or physical distance Off-ice or Outdoor training
- Low Risk or Virtual Activities
- No contact or competition
- No shared equipment

PHASE 2

- 2 m Physical Distance
- No non-essential Travel
- No Group > 50 people (small groups)
- Indoor facilities slowly open
- Non-contact training
- Modified play
- No or limited spectators

Transition Measures

Approximately
May 19 - September



Future date TBD
(Approx. Fall '20)

Progressively Loosen

PHASE 3

- PHO to outline physical Distancing
- Indoor facility access expanded
- Increase group sizes
- Pair or small group contact skills
- Local or Regional Game play
- Limited Spectators

PHASE 4

- PHO to outline restrictions
- Large groups allowed
- No restrictions on spectators
- Full contact game play (if applicable)
- Provincial or Inter-Branch Competition
- No restrictions

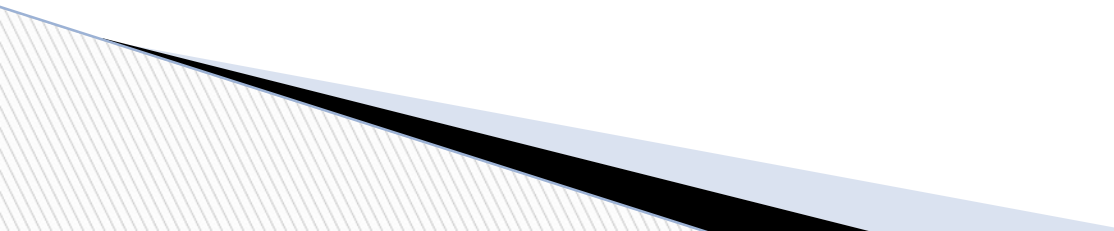
New Normal

Future date TBD
(Vaccine or Treatment)



[Click here to see viaSport Guideline document](#)

Hockey Canada Safety Guidelines

- How to safely prepare for a return to hockey
 - Checklist for working with facilities
 - Return to hockey procedures for COVID-19
 - How to deal with a positive COVID-19 Test
 - On and off-ice officials recommended guidelines
 - Roles and Responsibilities for administrators, team staff, HCSPs, players and parents
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Hockey Canada Safety Guidelines

- Sanctioned hockey, unlike many sports, have insurance coverage for “disease” which includes Covid-19
 - valid only for Hockey Canada members – not all hockey
 - all health authority and provincial guidelines must be adhered to
- [Click here](#) to read the Hockey Canada Safety Guidelines document

July

July

- PCAHA Statement
- Hockey Canada Seasonal Guidelines and U11 Pathway



PCAHA Statement



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July 3, 2020

STATEMENT FROM PCAHA

The PCAHA has been working with our member Associations (with guidance and support from Hockey Canada, BC Hockey, ViaSport and our Provincial Health Authorities) on plans for a safe return to hockey. Regular meetings with all parties, including weekly meetings with our members, have been occurring since April to plan and prepare for next season.

We are well positioned for a successful season start in September, following prescribed return to play protocols from our sport governing bodies, the Public Health Authorities and Provincial Government. The safety and best interests of the players in our District is paramount.

It is our intention to have both recreational and rep hockey. This includes preparing game schedules for various return-to-play scenarios. We are pleased that we are now in Phase 3 of BC's Restart Plan and we are beginning to see some of our municipal arenas reopen with programming run by our member Associations.

Hockey Canada Seasonal Guidelines

- Return to Hockey Stages

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Return to Ice

On-ice physical distancing

Skill development only

No competition

Off-ice training

2

Return to Practice

May be on-ice physical distancing

Skill development progress to competitive

No Competition

Teams or cohorts

No travel

3

Return to Play

May be some or no on-ice physical distancing

Regular practice

Competition may be modified (Body checking may be permitted)

Community based travel

4

Return to Regular Competition

No on-ice physical distancing


Regular practice

Standard competition (Body checking allowed)

Hockey Canada Seasonal Guidelines

- Alternative Skills Instruction (drill samples)
- Game play modifications and considerations
 - as may be required by facility restrictions on numbers or ice times
 - on-ice game play adaptations (eg continuous play/no faceoffs, shift change protocols, penalty shots vs penalties, etc)
- [Click here](#) to see the Seasonal Guidelines document

U11 Pathway

- Player evaluation/selection/tryouts cannot be scheduled prior to the start of the school year
 - Minimum of four practices and/or skill sessions prior to formal player evaluation/selection/tryouts
 - Player evaluation/selection/tryouts must be a minimum of three formal sessions. Recommendation is one skills session, one small area games, and one game (age appropriate format)
 - Development time following team selection and prior to start of the regular season
 - Playoffs must be tournament style
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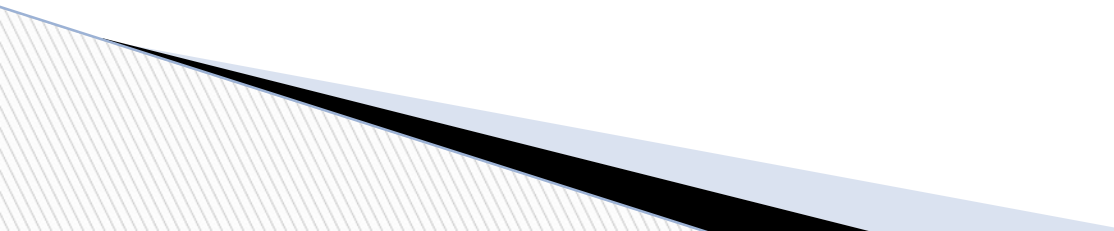
U11 Season Structure - Recreational

PHASE	Prep/Evaluation Phase & Development Phase	Regular Season Phase	Playoff/Tournament Phase
DURATION	Up to 6 WEEKS prior to the start of the Regular Season phase	Up to 22 WEEKS after the completion of the Development phase	Up to 4 WEEKS after the conclusion of the Regular Season phase
BALANCE	20% OF THE SEASON	70% OF THE SEASON	10% OF THE SEASON
VOLUME	UP TO 6 WEEKS	UP TO 22 WEEKS	UP TO 4 WEEKS
PRACTICES	8 PRACTICE SESSIONS	22 PRACTICE SESSIONS	4 PRACTICE SESSIONS
GAMES	UP TO 4 GAMES	UP TO 16 GAMES	UP TO 12 GAMES
TOURNAMENTS	1 TOURNAMENT	1 TOURNAMENT	1 TOURNAMENT

U11 Seasonal Structure - Competitive

PHASE	Prep/Evaluation Phase & Development Phase	Regular Season Phase	Playoff/Tournament Phase
DURATION	Up to 6 WEEKS prior to the start of the Regular Season phase	Up to 22 WEEKS after the completion of the Development phase	Up to 4 WEEKS after the conclusion of the Regular Season phase
BALANCE	20% OF THE SEASON	70% OF THE SEASON	10% OF THE SEASON
VOLUME	UP TO 6 WEEKS	UP TO 22 WEEKS	UP TO 4 WEEKS
PRACTICES	12 PRACTICE SESSIONS	44 PRACTICE SESSIONS	4 PRACTICE SESSIONS
GAMES	UP TO 6 GAMES	UP TO 24 GAMES	UP TO 16 GAMES
TOURNAMENTS	1 TOURNAMENT	1 TOURNAMENT	2 TOURNAMENTS

U11 Requirements & Recommendations

- Fair and Equal Ice Time
 - Focus on Skill Development
 - Head Coaches require Coach 2 and Checking Skills
 - Players should be encouraged to play both forward and defence
 - Tryouts: Players should be selected based on skill, not positional preference
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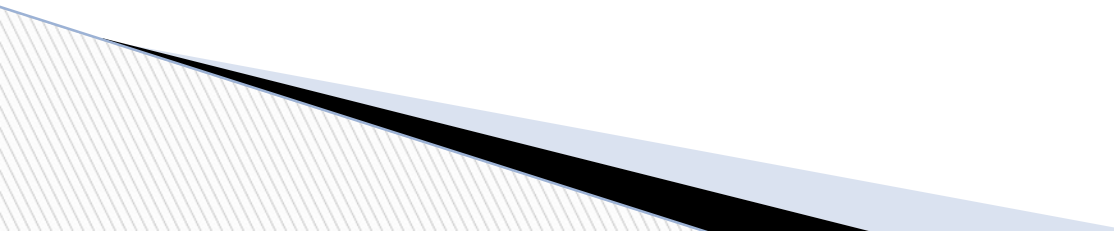


Where we are right now...

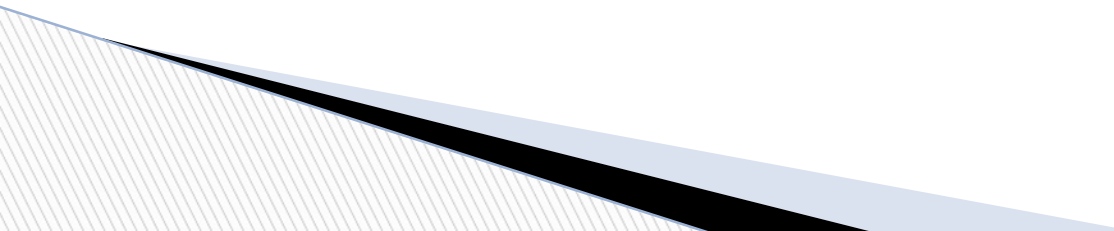
Summer Camp program

- Secured some ice at Scotia Barn (formerly 8-rinks)
- Currently finalizing camps that we can offer
 - venue restriction on ages (U11 and older only)
 - currently max 12 participants + 2 coaches (may increase)
 - not all times are consistent - matching as best as possible
 - developing pricing for cost recovery model to keep costs as low as possible for participants
- Previously registered participants in original camps will be offered first invitation to a similar camp

Summer Camp program cont...

- All who do not wish to accept a spot or those who we are not able to accommodate will be refunded their \$25 deposit
 - We are hopeful to find additional ice in August
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Season Programming

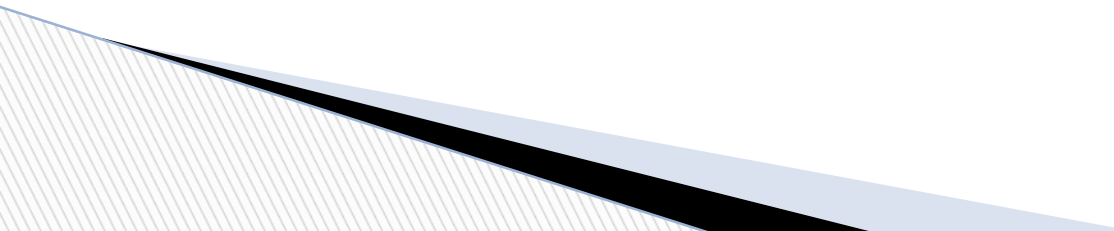
- Pathway 1 (current planning focus): follows pattern of a typical season as closely as will be permitted (ie tryouts, balancing, skills end of Aug/throughout Sept with PCAHA league play starting in October/early Nov)
 - Pathway 2: initial ~1/3 of season in tiered skill groups for approx. 6-8 weeks leading to tryouts/balancing and PCAHA league play starting mid-Nov
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Season Programming

- Pathway 3: initial ~2/3 of season in tiered skill groups (likely 2 separate 6-8 week sessions) and PCAHA league play starting in Jan
- Pathway 4: full season broken into tiered skill groups in separate 6-8 week sessions

Note in pathway 3 & 4 if internal games are permitted we will also look to run a “root beer” league if possible

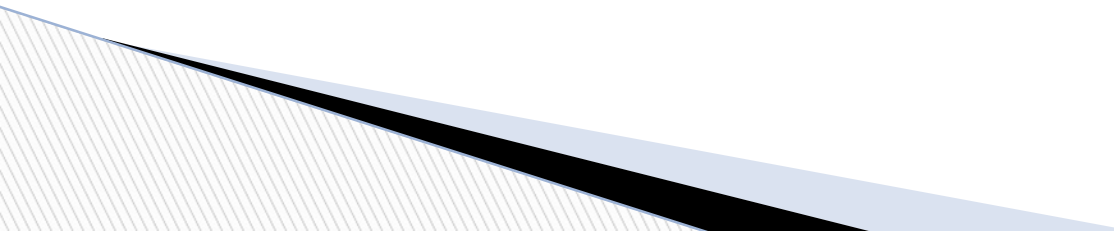
What will determine the pathway?

- Health authorities
 - viaSport Phase
 - PCAHA Return to Play phase
 - Facility access and restrictions
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Facility updates

- Vancouver Parks Board: arenas must be reviewed and approved by the Business Planning Oversight Committee.
 - Parks Board Commissioners: PBcommissioners@vancouver.ca
 - Twitter: @ParkBoard
- UBC: currently open with one sheet for internal programs to test procedures before opening to third party users.
- Richmond: Arenas are in Stage 4 of their opening plan that targets beginning of Sept

What resources do we have?

- Phenomenal skills instructors at our disposal
 - Internal: Derek, Mike, Stan, rep coaches, identifying parent coaches
 - In the area: UBC coaches and players, Vancouver Parks Board and Figure Skating club coaches/instructors
 - Virtual platforms
 - Potential to partner with Oval HP for dryland (in person and virtual opportunities)
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Covid-19 Refund Policy Input

- Prior to and immediately following a formal season program announcement:

ALL fees are 100% refundable – base registration, tryout and volunteer fee – if:

- The season is cancelled.
- Pathway 1 or 2 is announced, a family decides to withdraw within 7 days of the program announcement for any reason. They are still considered a returning player for the purposes of registration in the 2021-22 season.
- Pathway 3 or 4 is announced. A new registration process will be offered for the announced program.

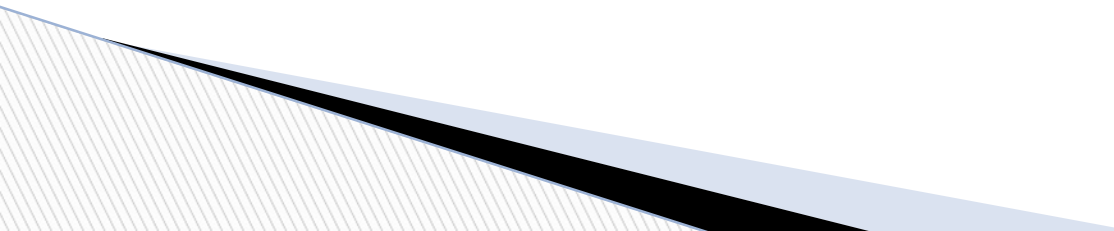
Covid-19 Refund Policy Input

- The season shall be deemed a full season (and registration fees will remain as has been announced) if PCAHA games are permitted to begin by mid-November AND a skill development program starts in September (ie pathways 1 or 2)
- If we start the season with pathway 1 or 2, and it deviates to pathway 3 or 4, a pro-rated refund based on the skill development program provided to that point will be given to all members.
- A new registration process will be opened for the revised program (ie the next series of skill development offerings)

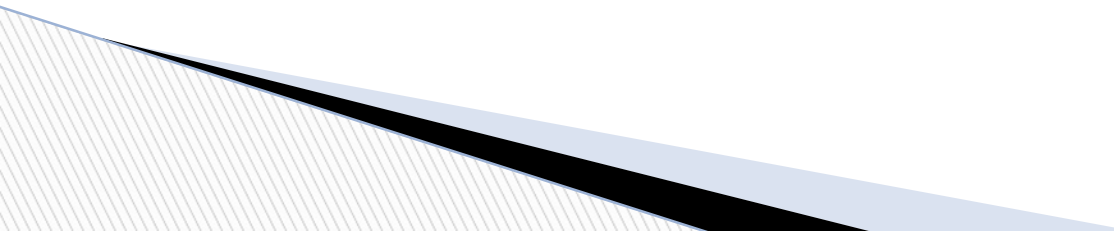
Covid-19 Refund Policy Input

- Should a stoppage occur at any point after the season commences:

Participants will receive a pro-rated refund less full season costs that cannot be recovered:

- By governing bodies (eg Hockey Canada insurance, BC/PCAHA player fees)
 - Third party engagements (eg any ice rentals that are not refunded)
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Covid-19 Refund Policy Input

- Should any camp or clinic be cancelled prior to the start date by the Association, a full refund will be provided.
 - Note that Vancouver Hockey School clinics are separate from the association and they will have their own policy that will be communicated at the time of registration.
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Covid-19 Refund Policy Input

- As we want to help encourage people to follow health guidelines around Covid-19:
 - any player that is required to miss on-ice events due to a health authority or government issued self-isolation or quarantine for a minimum of 14 days are eligible to request a refund on the ice costs of:
 - Missed team or skill group session per each 7-day period
 - U6/U7 - \$10.75
 - U8/U9 - \$16
 - U11-U18 rec - \$16
 - U11-U18 rep - \$28.50
 - Missed camp or clinic sessions operated by TBirds will receive a full pro-rated amount for all sessions missed
 - Note Vancouver Hockey School will determine their own process

Covid-19 Refund Policy Input

- Any exceptional circumstance that would fall outside of what is specifically mentioned in a policy, as always, can be submitted to the Board for consideration

Please send any questions, comments, suggestions to Tanya Foley at tfoley@vancouverbirds.ca by Wednesday, July 22.

TBirds Financial Update

- Financial risk is insufficient cash flow to continue operating
 - Available operating cash at March 31: \$237K
 - Applied for and received available government subsidies
 - CEBA (Canada Emergency Business Account)
 - CEWS (Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy)

TBirds Financial Update

- Forecasts were run, including a worst-case scenario (“no season”)
 - Results of a “No season” scenario:
 - Additional cost-cutting measures can be put in place by management
 - Cash position is still adequate to cover operations
 - Full refund available for registration paid

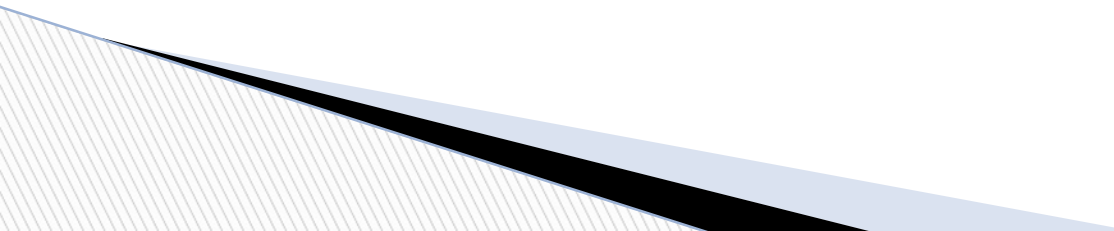
Next steps

- Season programming schedule determined
 - Rep tryouts
 - Season start
 - # of players on the ice / roster sizes
 - Skill development / Game Play
 - Travel restrictions – league and tournament
- Communications
 - Emails to summer camp participants
 - Rep tryout confirmations when known
 - Season Program announcement – targeting August Town Hall with potential email communications prior

Next steps

- Announce Volunteer Program
 - Opportunities will begin with summer camps
 - OnVolunteers software program
 - Every player's family will be required to assist with team and provide 3 hours (to a max of 6 hours per family) of volunteer assistance to events/activities outside of team setting
 - Fee refunds will be processed at minimum twice per season (one prior to Christmas and one at end of season)
 - There will be team roles that will be exempt from assoc hours
 - Typical year = 1500 hours + before end of October alone...if this season is not "typical" we will reconfigure to make it possible for every family to accomplish requirement
 - Opt-out option will be provided for assoc only – not team

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