

Wickenheiser International

WOMEN'S HOCKEY FESTIVAL

November 17 - 20, 2011

Player and Team Invitation Package

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FOUNDED 1964





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Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada (Just outside of Vancouver, BC)

**More than a competition... More than a tournament...
It's a celebration of hockey and the young women
who play the game!**

The Wickenheiser International Women's Hockey Festival in partnership with the Burnaby Minor Hockey Association invites your team to take part in this spectacular event.

Held in beautiful Burnaby - one of the home communities of the 2010 Winter Olympics - The Wickenheiser International Women's Hockey Festival is an event where young women can engage in world-class competition; make friends from around the world; improve their hockey skills and learn from one of the world's best – Hayley Wickenheiser – who will be involved in all aspects of the on and off-ice event for the duration of the weekend.

Over the course of four days, over 1,000+ players will compete and connect while building positive female hockey experiences across all levels.

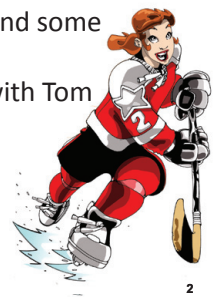
Beyond the Competition

Why call it a festival? Because players will be exposed to more than just competition. To see for yourself how visit, www.wickhockey.com While the tournament itself features a four game guarantee, it also includes these additional components:

Improve your game on and off the ice...

Clinics and workshop topics will be delivered throughout the weekend featuring high-profile and world-renowned coaches, athletes and experts from around the world. Topics preliminarily include:

- Beyond the Minors – A look at what's next for young players both in and out of the game.
- Fuelling for Gold – An examination of the contributing factors for on and off-ice success including nutrition, rest and fitness.
- Hot Stove – A roundtable discussion featuring Hayley and some very special guests, to be announced soon.
- Parents as 'Coaches' – A question and answer period with Tom and Marilyn Wickenheiser. (Parents only session)



- “Get your Game On” Equipment Clinic – A great chance to try out some new gear and get properly fitted by experts.
- Coaching Clinics – Tips, tricks, suggestions and insights on coaching women and on-ice coaches-only session, delivered by high-level female coaching personalities.
- And more... to be announced as the date nears.

In addition, several special sessions and events will take place including:

- An on-ice demo with Hayley Wickenheiser and NHL special guests. (Last year included retired NHL'er and Olympian, Trevor Linden and Vancouver Canuck, Mason Raymond)
- An opening reception open to players, coaches and parents (the evening of the 17th) featuring yet to be announced high-profile special guests, entertainers, sports personalities and Olympians.
- Opportunities to win the opportunity to be on-ice with Hayley and special guests
- A shot accuracy competition – to win cool prizes provided by our sponsors.
- And more...

Feel good about helping disadvantaged youth...

Participation in the festival will do more than just make you a better player, it will also help disadvantaged youth around the world gain access to sports to improve their health, develop life skills and foster peace.

The Wickenheiser International Women's Hockey Festival will donate the proceeds of the tournament and 100% of the profit from 50/50's, raffles and silent auctions to [Right to Play](#) and [KidSport](#).

The Hockey

Of course, this event has hockey at its heart, so here's what you need to know about the tournament itself.

Format

- 4 game guarantee (games start the morning of the 18th) - REVISED
- Round Robin format
- 3 x 15 minute stop-time periods

Who will be there?

The Wickenheiser International Women's Hockey Festival is open to AAA, AA and A (or equivalent) female players from around the world. The tournament is divided into five divisions: Atom, PeeWee, Bantam, Midget and we may incorporate a Adult/Senior level depending on interest received. Eight teams will be selected by application for each age group.



Age Groups	Year of Birth
Atom	2001 -2002
PeeWee	1999-2000
Bantam	1997-1998
Midget	1994-1996
Adult/Senior	A lady never tells! (all years, 1993 and before)

The Details

Cost & Budget Considerations

Registration is \$1,499 CDN per team.

What's included in your registration fee?

- Four game guarantee (3 x 15 minute stop-time periods)
- Registration in a minimum one off-ice workshop or clinic
- Interaction with world-class hockey experts and personalities who will be on-site for the duration of the tournament signing autographs, mentoring and delivering clinics.
- Great prizing before, during and after the event
- Access to the VIP reception for the players, parents and coaches
- Entry for chances to win the opportunity for your team to participate in special interactions with various famous hockey personalities.
- Unparalleled welcome package full of gifts from our sponsors
- Access to fundraising tools/materials and items to off-set costs
- Dressing room pre and post-game snacks

The first 20 teams registered will receive an autographed Bauer one60 hockey stick that your team can use for fundraising, incentives, team awards, or whatever you choose!



NO TEAM? NO PROBLEM!

Individual Skills Development Camps

Due to popular demand, the Wickenheiser International Women's Hockey Festival has struck a partnership with Hockey Canada to run a Skills Development Camp component as part of the overall event. This component of the event will accommodate those female hockey players who would like to participate in the weekend's activities, but whose team will not be attending. (Note, this program is also open to players participating in the tournament as part of a team, but individual players with no team participation will be given first-right-of-refusal and these sessions will open up in late October to others, based on availability.)

The Skills Development Camps will be run by the best of the best development personnel from Hockey Canada and will give an individual access to all of the off-ice components of the weekend.

The tentative schedule includes:

Atom & PeeWee

Friday - Skating and Puck Control (2 hrs.)

Saturday - Shooting and Scoring and a 3-on-3 Mini tournament (2.5 hrs.)

Bantam & Midget & Senior

Saturday - Skating and Puck Control (3 hrs.)

Sunday - Shooting and Scoring and a 3-on-3 Mini tournament (2.5 hours)

Individual Camp Cost

\$135 CDN per session or \$250 CDN for both sessions in your age division

What's included in your individual camp registration fee?

- A commemorative jersey and water bottle
- Dressing room snacks
- A welcome package including autographed merchandise from Hayley Wickenheiser
- A 3-on-3 tournament (second day only)
- Opportunity to take part in all prizing and contests taking place as part of the Festival
- Access to the Opening Reception for the players, parents and coaches of your team.
- Access to all additional off-ice activities taking place at Burnaby 8 Rinks that weekend
- Interaction with Hayley Wickenheiser and special guests



General Tournament Regulations & Considerations

Tournament Rules

- The tournament shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules of BC Hockey
- A copy of the rule book can be found at www.bchockey.net
- All games are to be played at the Canlan Ice Sports Burnaby 8 Rinks

Out-of-Canada Team Requirements & Special Considerations

- Team participating from outside of Canada will be given special consideration for opportunities to interact directly with our special guests and sponsors.
- All members of foreign teams must have private medical insurance and provide proof of insurance to tournament organizers, who will provide it to Hockey Canada to ensure appropriate sanctioning.
- Foreign teams must be aware of ALL rules and regulations of BC Hockey. Rules and regulations can be located at www.bchockey.net and tournament-specific rules will be posted on www.wickhockey.com as the event approaches.
- Foreign teams may be required to get Visas to visit Canada. Please ensure you have reviewed Canadian policies regarding visitation from other countries. If special paperwork is required to be provided by Festival organizers (such as formal letters of invitation), contact the Event Manager.

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