

BLUELINE COMMITTEE 2023 -2024

Congratulations to all our Royals teams and families for all the hard work that has gone into this year's edition of the Blueline. Once again, we have had an excellent year with returning advertisers as well as many first-time advertisers entering our pages with their support.

Thank you to all the Team managers, coaches and parents for their efforts that have been put into getting this yearbook to the publisher. Thank you to Bob Hart of Hart Photography for all the team photos and to the Royals parents for the action photos featured throughout the Blueline. Your talents help to make our yearbook memorable each year.

I would like to commend the coordinators of each team for their efforts in getting the orders and copy to myself and for going the extra mile to make this the great production it is.

Thank you to Doug Kletke and his team from Oil City Press and especially and Fathima Jamaldeen for all the many dedicated hours that she has put into getting our book put together; for all your help, support with the coordination for which has made the production go smoothly from start to finish.

Thank you to all our advertisers for without you this book would not be possible. Thank you for your support as your advertising has given our yearbook the professional touch that you see here.

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CALGARY ROYALS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

MISSION STATEMENT

“Commitment to maintain a leading edge quadrant hockey program designed to focus, promote and encourage the development of players and coaches, through skill development, with positive attitudes towards sportsmanship, education and citizenship.”

The history of the Calgary Royals Athletic Association dates back prior to 1966, when “AA” hockey in Calgary was exclusively sponsored by the Calgary Buffalo Hockey Association. In the mid-1960s, a group of hockey enthusiasts in South West Calgary recognized the city’s growth necessitated a separate association for promoting “AA” hockey in the area. Led by Joe Kryczka, Bill Blyth, Ted Steele, and Stan Jaycock, they formed the South West Athletic Association, operating as an unincorporated entity from 1966 to 1969. During this time, the Association sponsored one team each in the Bantam, Midget, Juvenile, and Junior B categories.

The South West Athletic Association was incorporated under the Societies Act of the Province of Alberta in 1969. In 2008, the Association then changed its name to the Calgary Royals Athletic Association. Over the years, as the city expanded, the Association’s activities grew as well, now sponsoring a variety of age groups. This includes three U13 “AA,” three U15 “AA,” one U15 “AAA,” one U16 “AA,” one U17 “AAA,” two U18 “AA,” a U18 “AAA,” and two Junior “B” teams.

The Association’s enduring success is attributed to the outstanding leadership of its Presidents, including Wilf Godfrey, George Dunn, Don Quinn, Bill Shearer, Laurie Schmidt, Bob Arkley, the Honorable Mr. Justice Bill O’Leary, Ron Onishenko, Don McCallum, Ken Morris, Bob Venables, Ray Ference, Bruce Bierwagon, Bob Wilson, Clive Marsh, Attila Szabo, Kris Katsaounis, Dave Freeborn, Mark Josefchak, Dale Peters, and Juanita Renwick (current president). Their dedication and hard work have significantly contributed to the Association’s achievements and the advancement of “AA” and “AAA” hockey in Calgary.

Furthermore, the unwavering dedication of numerous Directors, including the late Emile Dupont and Rusty Basarab, Gordie Moore, Ron Johnson, Martin Vernon, Clint Reynolds, Doug Cook, Bob Sinclair, Bill Salt, Derek Gould, Ken Hindmarch, Scotty Jones, Dan Mulvenna, Jim Morris, Brent Siddons, Gary Soroka, Lee Morris, and John Mitchell, has been instrumental in shaping C.R.A.A. hockey. It’s also important to acknowledge the dedication and commitment of the staff of the C.R.A.A. The Calgary Royals Athletic Association has been privileged to attract staff, volunteers, coaches, and managers of the highest caliber.

Key initiatives include prioritizing branding to elevate the C.R.A.A.’s image. Through the introduction of a standardized club concept for team colors and insignia, we’ve not only enhanced the visibility of our teams but also instilled a profound sense of unity among our players and supporters. This strategic branding effort has not only bolstered team identification but has also reinforced our organization’s cohesive image, fostering stronger connections within our community. Furthermore, we have achieved a significant milestone in prioritizing player development through collaborations with external resources to nurture our players’ growth, a commitment we are firmly dedicated to strengthening in the years ahead.

At the core of our Association lies the well-being of our hockey players. We continue to diligently cultivate an environment where young athletes can thrive both on and off the ice. Our dedication extends beyond refining hockey skills to fostering character development and sportsmanship, ensuring comprehensive growth for our hockey players.

The primary goal of our association is to foster the growth of numerous talented young hockey players over the years. By offering them opportunities for skill development, competitive play, and exposure to higher levels of hockey, we’ve been instrumental in guiding their journey to success in the sport. Many have achieved significant milestones at various levels, highlighting the impact of our focus on hockey development.

Overall, the Calgary Royals Athletic Association has played a vital role in advancing and enriching the hockey landscape in Calgary. We extend our sincere appreciation to our players, coaches, volunteers, and supporters for their unwavering commitment, which has contributed to our collective success and the flourishing of hockey within our community.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE



As we conclude another thrilling hockey season, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our devoted volunteer coaches, managers, trainers, board members, and contractors who have devoted countless hours to ensure the smooth operation of our organization. On behalf of the Executive and our Board

of Directors, we are honoured to uphold the proud heritage of the Royals season after season.

To our players, parents, sponsors, and team volunteers, I express my sincerest appreciation for your unwavering support and continued trust in our mission to elevate our program to elite status in Alberta. We are incredibly fortunate to have inherited a strong foundation upon which we continuously strive to excel in today’s dynamic hockey landscape. Recognizing the multitude of choices available to families today, we are committed to expanding our program to meet the high standards associated with quadrant hockey.

The Blueline magazine, which profiles all the current Royals teams and players, is an essential component of the C.R.A.A., providing vital financial support for our players and families. The backing for the Blueline and our other fundraising efforts ensures that all players have the opportunity to participate in hockey at the quadrant level.

We extend our sincere thanks to all those who contributed to the realization of the magazine this year. Special acknowledgment goes to Sandra Young, the Blue Line coordinator, and Jill Cameron, our Administrator, as well as the committed team volunteers who ensure that the magazine showcases the perfect mix of pictures, articles, and sponsor support.

Nurturing positive attitudes and leadership skills in our young players requires unwavering dedication, hard work, and commitment. We take pride in our role in shaping the leaders of tomorrow.

As we gather at the rink, let us cheer with passion and pride, while maintaining respect for players, referees, parents, volunteers, and fellow spectators, upholding the esteemed Royals Gold standard.

I look forward to seeing you all at the rink.

Respectfully,

Juanita Renwick

President

Calgary Royals Athletic Association





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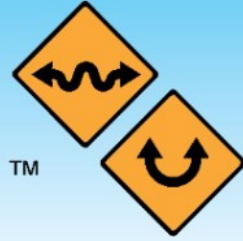


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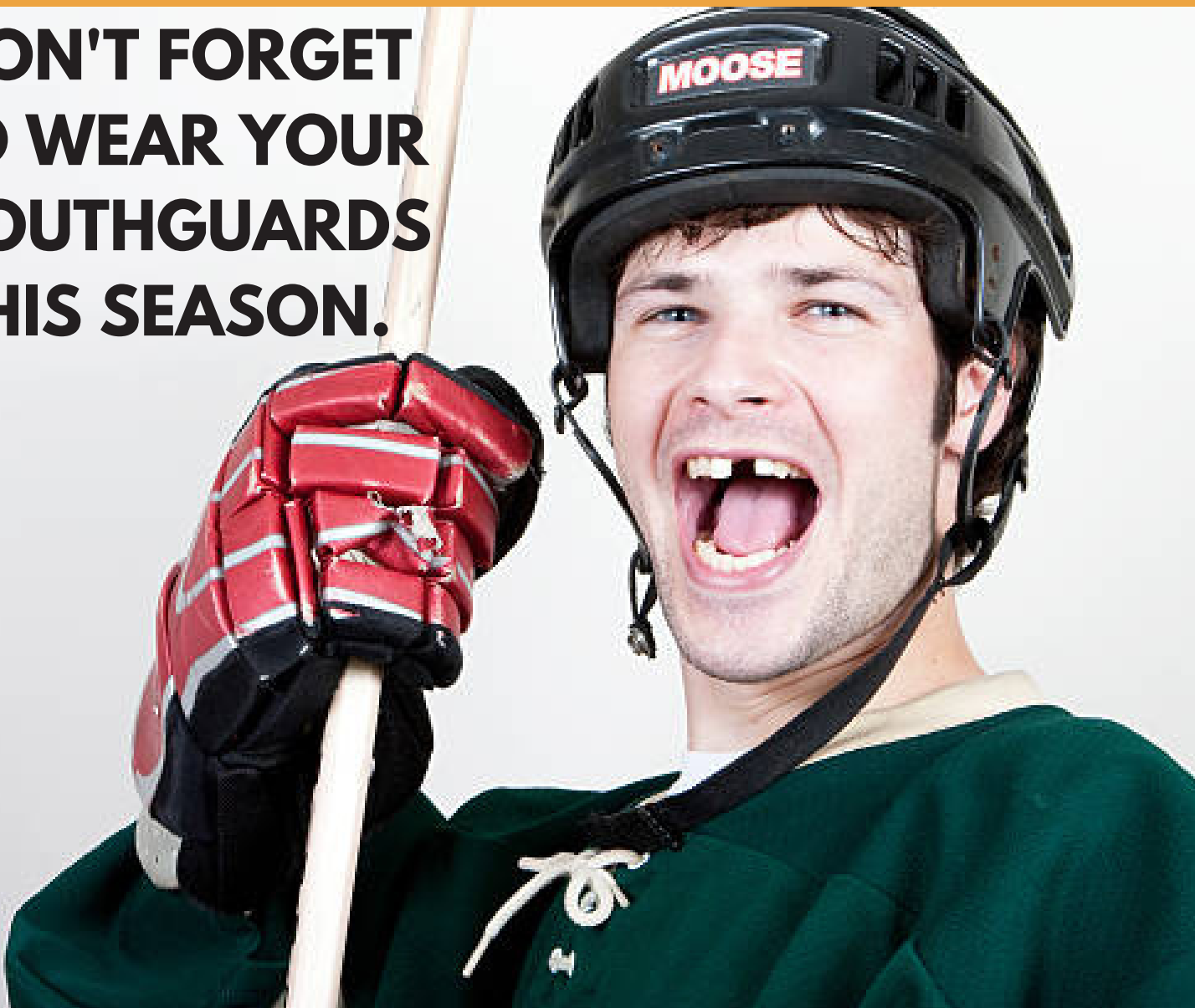


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