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## Dobber goes hard with Cougars

By Kevin Mitchell  
Vernon Morning Star

**H**e was a big, physical defenceman with the Watkin Motors Mustangs in his only Vernon Coca-Cola Invitational Pee Wee Hockey Tournament. James Dobrowolski is today a 6-foot-3, 201-pound power winger with the Western Hockey League Prince George Cougars.

The man they affectionately call "Dobber" has fond memories of his Winter Carnival experience, under head coach Keith Chase.

"Dave (Robinson) and Bryce (Kakoske) were on that team," recalled Dobrowolski, who was paired on the blue line with Mike Donnelly. "I know we lost two games in overtime and I remember it was lots of fun. We had the parade and the tournament banquet."

Surprised when the Prince Albert Raiders traded him to the Cats last July, Dobrowolski is enjoying his new team despite their last-place record.

"Things are going pretty good for me. I'm playing in

lots of different situations and roles. I have 11 goals, but I could have lots more. I'm getting chances, but I'm just not bearing down hard enough."

The Cougars sorely miss major go-to-guy Brett Connolly, a first-round Bantam draft pick who has only played a dozen games due to injury. Prince George still manages to compete without him.

"We're a pretty tough team to play against," said Dobber, a three-year vet. "We play very physical and I think we lead the league in fighting majors. We keep it simple, nothing fancy and work hard. We've had a couple of slides, but most of our games are close."

Dobrowolski, who helped the Vernon Junior B Tigers to the provincial lacrosse finals last summer, has been playing on a line with Alex Rodgers of Salmon Arm and Nick Buonassisi of Coquitlam.

He likes the way head coach Dean Clark handles the fragile mind-set of the Cougars.

"He tends to stay upbeat and look for the positives. He's a good coach. He said I should be one of the 20-year-olds on the team next year."



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Welcome to the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Coca-Cola Classic Invitational Pee Wee Hockey Tournament!

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For our out of town guests, I hope you will enjoy your stay in Vernon and take time to explore the scenic sites and tourist attractions in Vernon and the surrounding communities.

Good luck to all the players and coaches - let the games begin!

  
Wayne Lippert  
Mayor

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

On behalf of the players, coaches, officials and parents of the Greater Vernon Minor Hockey Association, I bid welcome to the players, parents and coaches of the great teams participating in the 39th Annual Vernon Coca-Cola Classic Invitational Pee Wee Hockey Tournament.

Since the beginning of the 2009/2010 season, we have been looking forward to watching the exciting Pee Wee hockey action that this tournament has delivered for nearly four decades.

This is an Olympic year and British Columbians are celebrating sport like never before. Fair play, respect for your opponent, determination and effort are essential elements to elite sporting events like the Pee Wee tournament and the Olympics. This year we can enjoy both at the same time.

Thank you for, once again, delivering the hockey highlight of the season for players and fans alike. We'll be cheering loudly for the Mustangs and experience has shown us that in this tournament, all the teams, regardless of where they are from, bring out admiring local and visiting hockey fans for the best hockey at one of the best tournaments in the province.

Best of luck to the competitors; skate hard, play fair and most importantly, have fun.

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 Ray Allison, Cranbrook 1972  
 Len Dawes, Nanaimo 1974  
 Tony Feltrin, Nanaimo 1974  
 Barry Pederson, Nanaimo 1974  
 Steve Tsijiura, Lethbridge 1974  
 Mike Winther, Prince George 1974  
 Rick Chernomaz, Port Alberni 1975  
 John Newberry, Port Alberni 1975  
 Paul Cyr, Port Alberni, 1975  
 Mike Kaszycki, Spokane 1975  
 Chris Jensen, Fort St. John 1975  
 Greg Adams, Nelson 1976  
 Gord Kluzak, Swift Current 1977  
 Lane Lambert, Swift Current, 1977  
 Brian Curran, Red Deer 1977  
 Mark Lamb, Swift Current 1978  
 Doug Quinn, Red Deer 1978  
 Mark Tinordi, Red Deer 1978  
 Rocky Trottier, Swift Current 1978  
 Emmanuel Viveiros, St. Albert 1978  
 Doug Bodger, Fuller Lake 1979  
 Robin Bawa, Fuller Laker 1979  
 Mike Berger, Fort Saskatchewan 1979  
 Robin Shudra, Fort Saskatchewan 1979  
 Jeff Sharples, Terrace 1980  
 Matt Pesklewis, St. Albert 1980  
 Wade Flaherty, Terrace 1980  
 Greg Hawgood, St. Albert 1980  
 Frank Furlan, Nanaimo 1980  
 Mark Pederson, Medicine Hat 1981  
 Craig Edean, Prince George 1981  
 Ryan McGill, Sherwood Park 1982  
 Peter Soberlak, Kamloops 1982  
 Chris Joseph, Burnaby 1982  
 Kerry Russell, Kamloops 1982  
 Russ Romanik, St. Boniface 1982  
 Mike Needham, Fort Saskatchewan 1983  
 Murray Duval, Fort Saskatchewan 1983  
 Collin Bauer, Fort Saskatchewan 1983  
 Jason Marshall, Cranbrook 1984  
 Lee J. Leslie, Prince George 1986  
 Richard Matvichuk, Fort Saskatchewan 1986  
 Ray Whitney, Fort Saskatchewan, 1986  
 Joaquin Gage, Coquitlam 1987  
 Jarrett Deuling, Whitehorse 1987  
 Robb Gordon, Burnaby WC 1989  
 Daymond Langkow, Sherwood Park 1990  
 Mike Dubinsky, Sherwood Park 1990  
 Randy Petruk, Cranbrook 1991  
 Kevin Swanson, Prince George 1993  
 Steve McCarthy, Trail/Rosslund 1994  
 Darrell Hay, Kamloops 1994  
 Matt Ellison, Cowichan 1997  
 Ben Walter, Semiahmoo 1998  
 Adam Courchaine, Winnipeg 1998  
 Derek Meech, Winnipeg 1998  
 Travis Gawryletz, Trail-Rosslund 1998  
 Shawn Belle, Edmonton 1999  
 Mike Card, Penticton 1999  
 Ray Sawada, Richmond, 1999  
 Mitch Fadden, Victoria 2001  
 Dan Gendur, Victoria 2001  
 Casey Pierrro-Zabotel, Kamloops 2002  
 Riley Nash, Kamloops 2002  
 Zach Hamill, Port Coquitlam 2002

## Drafted By

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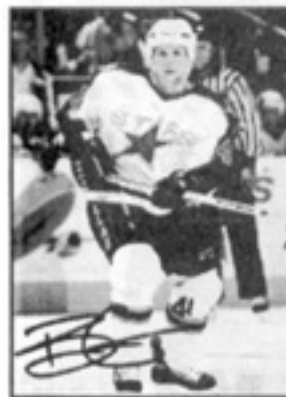
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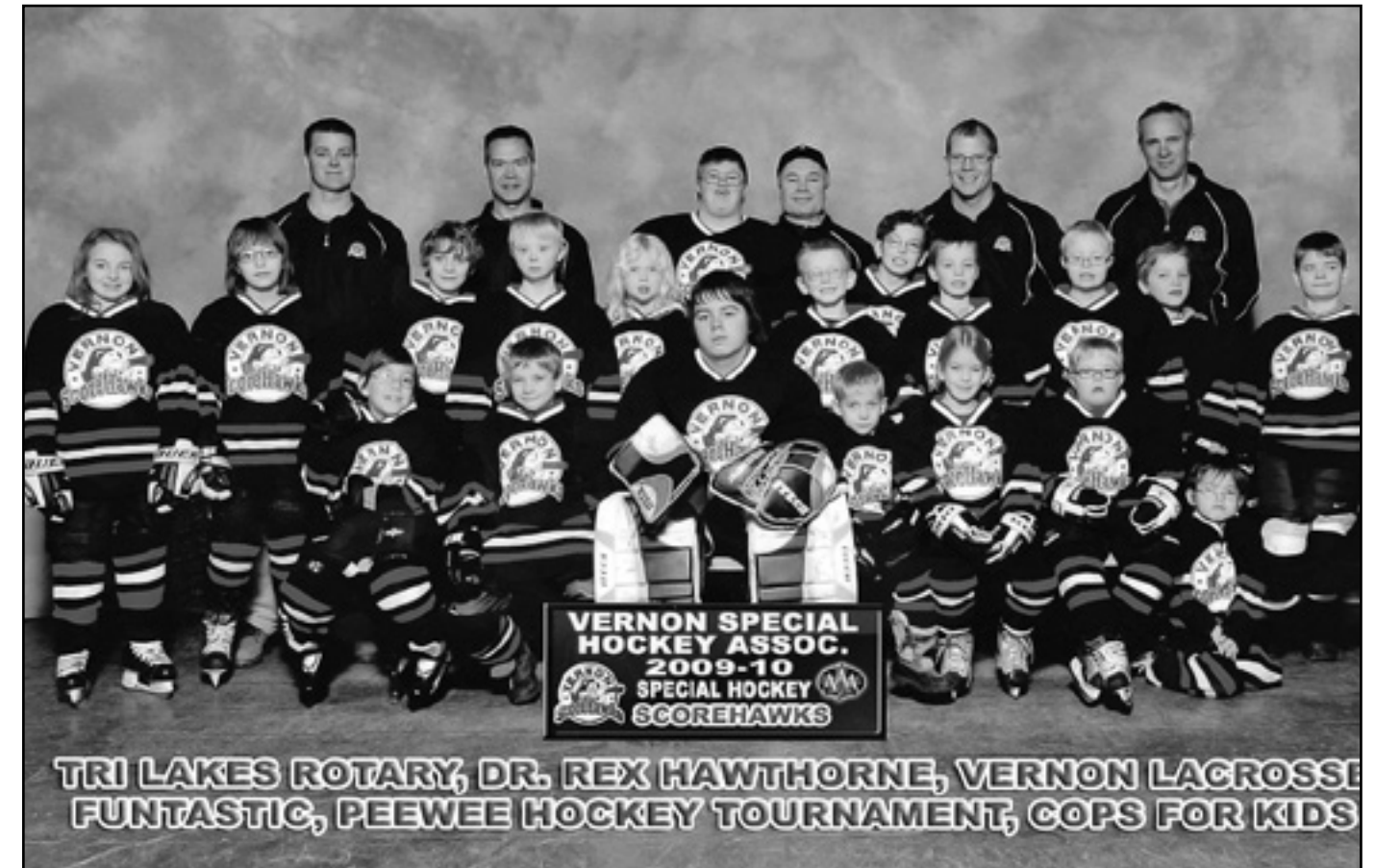


Brent Gilchrist



Jeff Finley

**Vernon Pee Wee alumni and draft/NHL team:** Rudy Poeschek (Rangers 1985); Brent Gilchrist (Habs1986); Jeff Finley (Isles 1986); Bruce Major (Quebec 1986); Jay Stark (Detroit 1986); Sandy Moger (Vancouver 1989); Dennis Holland (Detroit 1987); Troy Mick (Pittsburgh 1988); Layne Roland (Chicago 1992); Jerred Smithson (1992 Nashville); Lance Leslie (Ottawa 1993); Jeff Lank (Montreal 1993); Jason Podollan(Florida 1994); Brad Larsen (Ottawa 1995); Matt Higgins (Montreal 1996); Chris Ovington (Florida 1998); Josh Reed (Vancouver 1999), Matt Schneider (Flames 2004); Ryan Kakoske (UBC T-Birds, CIS 2001); Stefan Schneider (Portland, WHL 2002)



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REID DUKE (left), captain of the Calgary Trails West Blades, receives the Amy Myles Memorial Trophy from Coca-Cola Classic director Rolf Staudhammer after the Blades beat Burnaby Winter Club in the A final.

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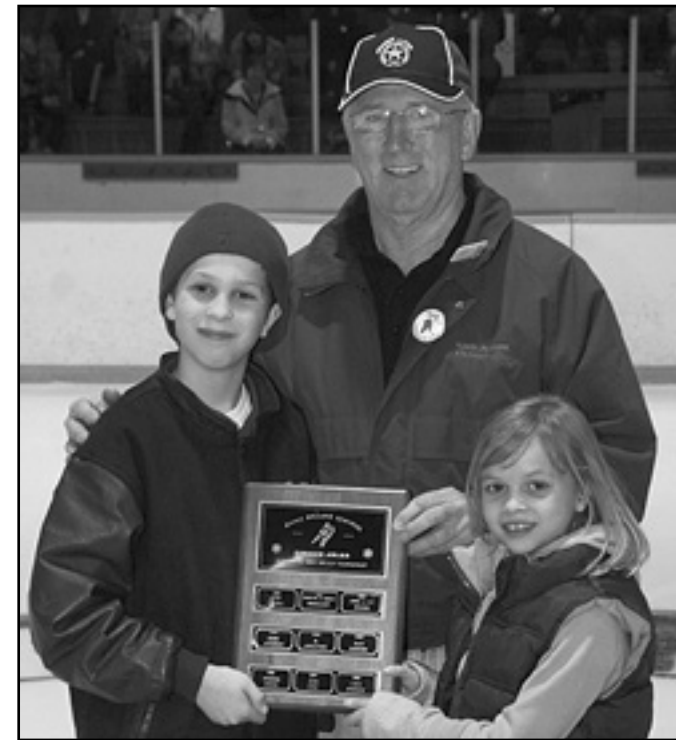
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FORMER NHLER Cliff Ronning joins stick winners (from left) Bailey Shaver of the Seattle Admirals, Logan Ferguson of the Calgary Trails West Blades, Justin Backus of the Vernon Watkin Motors Mustangs and Mitchell Profeit of the Prince George Cougars at the 2009 tournament banquet.



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**Front Row** (L-R): Logan Thompson - 31, Carson Twarzynski "A" - 10, Ryely McKinstry "A" - 5, Keillan Olson "C" - 9, Kaylan Leys "A" - 13, Joren Patenaude - 8, Nick Patterson - 1.

**Middle Row** (L-R): Sam Binfet - 16, Rock Ruschkowski - 7, Vernon Olson - Coach, Riley Siebel - 12, Garret Brisebois - 2.

**Back Row** (L-R): Greg Suchan - Asst Coach, Kevin Wagner - Asst Coach, Mark "Drohan" - 15, Austin Wagner - 3, Elias Gleave - 6, Scott Suchan - 18, Tyson Turchanski - 17, Jake Ashton - 11, Kevin Turchanski - Manager, Ets Patenaude - Asst Coach.

The 2009/2010 Calgary Blackfoot PeeWee Chiefs play in the Calgary Minor Hockey Association. With 11 other teams, they play PeeWee 1 and are tiered in the top division. As of November 16th, the Chiefs are 3-1 in league play and currently sit in second place in the standings. In pre-season play, the Chiefs went undefeated (7 wins against no losses) and won the Shaw Meadows Ice Breaker tournament that featured other Calgary division one teams. In the tournament final they were able to best the Calgary Trails West Blades (2009 Coca-Cola Classic champions).

The Chiefs are a well balanced team. In addition to a very good goaltending duo, they have a solid defense and a tenacious group of forwards. The team is not big in stature but play with very big hearts. They are successful because of their skating skills and their ability to quickly move the puck. Four of the seventeen players on the team are first year PeeWees.

The team is coached by Vernon Olson. Mr. Olson and the balance of the coaching staff have been with the majority of the players on the team through Novice1, Atom1 and now at the PeeWee level.

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# CHILLIWACK PEEWEE A1 BRUINS



**Back Row** (L-R): Brydan Heisler - #5, Brendan Murphy "A" - #7, Taylor Lagemaat - #6, T.J. LeMay "C" - #9, Connor McNeill "A" - #11, Trent Huitema - #16, Tyson Kirkness - #3, Johathan Bateman - #8, Hayden Guilderson "A" - #19

**Front Row** (L-R): Zack Burns - #35, Tanner Ohlsen - #17, Tanner Geary - #12, Michael Homme - #18, Tony Pharand - #14, Nathan Jackson - #10, Kyle Esau - #1

The Chilliwack PeeWee A1 Bruins hockey team is a proud group of strong young athletes playing in the Minor Hockey Association in Chilliwack, British Columbia. The Bruins compete in with eleven other strong lower mainland teams in the second flight of the Tier 1 division. The team is comprised of 11 second year and six first-year players.

In 2008, the PeeWee Bruins had a very good year starting in the second flight and finishing near the top of the division in flight one. The team has similar hopes for this season and the coaching staff is developing the players accordingly.

Our young, energetic group is hard workers and quick learners. The focus this year has been on skating, passing, checking and communication.

The team has a great group of respected, seasoned coaches who combined have a total of over 40 years coaching experience. The coaches are great motivators and excellent role models. They lead by example and advocate good work habits, individual and team effort, good sportsmanship, fitness and fun.

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**Back Row** (L-R): Brenty Scyrup (Asst Coach), Lee Winter (Asst Coach), Connor Bissett - 15, Sean Buckland - 9, Keenan Eddy - 16, Mathieu Jung - 7, Rich Mann (Asst Coach), Darryl Nash (Head Coach)  
**Middle Row** (L-R): Danniell Same - 10, Josiah Nadon - 3, Steven Robertson - 4, Liam Craig "C" - 17, Josh Anderson - 19, Keegan Bissett - 12, Patrick Poets - 8.  
**Front Row** (L-R): John Hawthorne - 1, Jordan Topping "A" - 11, Ryan Hogg "A" - 5, Rowan Siider "A" - 2, Willy Harvey - 35.  
**Missing from Picture:** Tyson Eliason - 14

The Island Log Homes Cowichan Valley Capital PeeWee Tier 1 team is excited to be invited back to the famous Vernon PeeWee hockey tournament

Cowichan has been very successful in previous years finishing first in this tournament four times including three times winning the "A" championship. In addition, they have won the "B" championship once and have finished second a total of five times. Three of this year's four PeeWee coaches have played in the tournament. Capitals head coach Darryl Nash played on the 1991 "B" final champions. Assistant coach Brent Scyrup played in the 1990 "A" final losing a heartbreaking 6-5 overtime loss to Winnipeg. While second assistant, Ricky Mann never played for a championship he is thrilled to be back coaching in a tournament he so enjoyed as a player.

The Capitals are hosting the Tier 1 PeeWee Provincial Championships March 7 - 12, 2010 in Duncan. The tournament will be held at the "Big Stick" - the Island Savings Centre arena home to the world's largest hockey stick and the BCHL's Cowichan Capitals Jr. hockey team.

The PeeWee Capitals have already traveled to three tournaments and the Vernon tournament will serve as the last test before Vancouver Island playoffs and the Provincial championship.

This year's PeeWee team is a young, developing team. They return nine second year players and are bolstered by eight promising first year players. The team is skillfully and enthusiastically coached by Nash, Scyrup, Mann and veteran Lee Winter. The Capitals will provide stiff competition for everyone in Vernon and every team fortunate to qualify for the Provincial Championship in March.



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The NWZ Renegades are affiliated with the Canadian Athletic Club and play in the Edmonton Minor Hockey Association, Claggett Division (PeeWee AA). This division is comprised of the top 12 teams in Metro Edmonton. The league's first round consists of eight games. We are 6-1-1 and will finish in first or second place. Our overall record including tournaments is 20-4-1. The Renegades are currently on a 10-game winning streak and recently went undefeated (5-0) to win gold at the Camrose, Alberta PeeWee "AA" tournament.

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## 2010 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

- (1) All games shall be regulation stop time, no ties, sudden death overtime.  
 (2) In the event 2 teams are tied for points, the team defeating the other shall be placed higher.  
 (3) In the event 3 teams are tied for points, the standings will be determined using the following formula  
 (a) The team with the best goal average will be placed higher  
 Example: Goals for 10; Goals against 4; percentage is  $10/14 = .714$   
 (b) If 2 teams have the same goal average, the team defeating the other will be placed higher.  
 (c) Coin flip if necessary

GAME	TIME	DAY	DIV.	HOME	VS	VISITOR
1	8:00am	Thurs	CC	Edmonton		Vernon
2	10:15am	Thurs	CC	Spokane		Cowichan Valley
3	12:30pm	Thurs	SV	Prince George		Chilliwack
4	2:45 pm	Thurs	SV	Edmonton		Kent Valley

### 5:30 pm THURSDAY - OPENING CEREMONIES

5	6:00pm	Thurs	CC	Vernon		Spokane
6	8:00pm	Thurs	CC	Cowichan Valley		Edmonton
7	8:00am	Friday	SV	Kent Valley		Prince George
8	10:15am	Friday	SV	Chilliwack		Calgary
9	12:30pm	Friday	CC	Spokane		Edmonton
10	3:00pm	Friday	CC	Vernon		Cowichan Valley
11	5:30pm	Friday	SV	Chilliwack		Kent Valley
12	8:00pm	Friday	SV	Calgary		Prince George

### COCA COLA DIVISION

Vernon Watkin Motors Mustangs  
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 Edmonton NWZ Renegades  
 Cowichan Valley Capitals

#### STANDINGS

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### SUN VALLEY DIVISION

Calgary Blackfoot Chiefs  
 Kent Valley Rainiers  
 Prince George Cougars  
 Chilliwack Bruins

#### STANDINGS

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## PLAY-OFF FORMAT

GAME	TIME	DAY	HOME	VS	VISITOR
13	8:00am	Sat	3rd in Sun Valley	vs	4th in Coca-Cola
14	10:15am	Sat	3rd in Coca-Cola	vs	4th in Sun Valley
15	12:30pm	Sat	1st in Coca-Cola	vs	2nd in Sun Valley
16	2:45pm 6:00pm	Sat Sat	1st in Sun Valley	vs	2nd in Coca-Cola
<b>"D" EVENT FINAL</b>					
17	10:00am	Sunday	Losers of Games #13 and #14		
<b>"C" EVENT FINAL</b>					
18	12:30pm	Sunday	Winners of Games #13 and #14		
<b>"B" EVENT FINAL</b>					
19	3:15pm	Sunday	Losers of Games #15 and #16		
<b>"A" EVENT FINAL</b>					
20	6:00pm	Sunday	Winners of Games #15 and #16		
<b>WINNERS</b>					
			<b>"A" EVENT</b>		
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Sasha (Flash) Kuzmich  
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 Short-term goal: to find a straw





# KENT VALLEY RAINIERS



**Front Row** (L-R): Charlie Kurtenbach - 25, Mason Stewart - 8, Jordan Greenhall "C" - 18, Evan Sarthou - 31, McKinley Kempt "A" - 19, Andrew Lee - 23, Kailer Yamamoto - 17.  
**Middle Row** (L-R): Paul Frys - 14, Luke Van Schaack - 9, Billy Gardner - 5, Bo Hanson - 67, Bryce Ebert - 27, Keith Anderson - 44, Jake Levin "A" - 2, Bailey Conger - 7, Carson Bergstrom - 21.  
**Back Row** (L-R): Russ Yamamoto - Asst Coach, Adam Kurtenbach - Head Coach

The Kent Valley Rainiers proudly represent the Kent Valley, Washington Hockey Association. Kent Valley is a member of the Pacific Northwest Amateur Hockey Association which is the Washington state affiliate for USA Hockey. We compete in the Pee Wee AAA division and are currently ranked #20 nationally and #1 in the US Pacific District. Our team competes against British Columbia Tier 1 teams in tournaments and exhibitions, as well as nationally against teams from the West Coast and Midwest. Our team includes all 2nd year players. Last year we posted a 29-11-3 record and finished as the runner-up in our state championship tournament. This season we are attempting to become the first team from Washington State to qualify for the USA Hockey, Pee Wee Tier 1 National Championship in more than 30 years.

Our head coach, Adam Kurtenbach emphasizes puck movement, skating and creativity. Coach Adam is a Vancouver native with deep roots in the BC hockey community. Our program philosophy is Players First. Player development and enjoyment are our top priorities. Our players work hard on and off the ice and we recognize players who achieve honor roll status in school with a coveted helmet sticker signifying their achievement.

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**Middle Row** (L-R): Jordan Waterston -21, Trevor Gagne - 16, Brogan O'Brien "A" - 18, Todd Bredo - 20, Coltin Faucher - 8, Zachary Smith "A" - 2, Bryan Allbee - 3, Koltin Chasse - 19.  
**Back Row** (L-R): Ben Williams (Coach), Tom Jandric (Asst Coach), Grant Paulson (Trainer), Mike Correale (Manager), Todd Patterson (Manager).

The Prince George PeeWee Viking Cougars team represents the P.G. Minor Hockey Association. At the PeeWee level there are five separate divisions and a total of 249 players. The five divisions include a boy's tier one and tier two rep team, a girl's rep team and thirteen club/house teams.

The PeeWee Viking Cougars must travel in order to play other Tier one teams. The closest competition is Kamloops, B.C. or Grand Prairie, Alberta.

The 2009/2010 team is comprised of 15 second year and two first-year players. Eight of the second-year skaters played rep hockey last year, seven in Tier two and one in Tier one.

The team goal for this year is to improve each game and use the experience gained to play well at the provincial level. The team has two coaches, a management team and trainer who support the players to hopefully have a successful year and rewarding experience.

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**Back Row** (L-R): Brandon Davis - #2, Travis Knoles - Coach, Cono Mckenna - #11, Mitch Knoles "A" - #8, Josh Chamberlin - #98, Sage Heyn - #18, Connor McIntosh "A" - #66, Dan Holden - Coach, Brenden Odell - #12.  
**Not Pictured:** Tanner Moyer "C" - #10, Jake Kelly - #13

The Spokane Jr. Chiefs PeeWee AA team competes in the West Kootenay League with Nelson, Trail, Beaver Valley and Castlegar. The Jr. Chiefs have also played teams from Alberta, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah and California this year.

To date, the Jr. Chiefs are 21-3-1. The team is comprised of 14 1997 birth year players and six 1998 birth year players. Three of the team members played on the PeeWee AA team in 2008. That team went on to win the PNAHA Washington State tournament. The team is coached by Travis Knoles and Dan Holden. Both coaches played for the Junior A Spokane Chiefs with Vernon resident, Brent Gilchrist.

The overall philosophy and goal of the team is centered on team work, work ethic, sportsmanship, skill development and fun. The Jr. Chiefs players are expected to represent the City of Spokane in a positive light both on and off the ice.



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**Middle Row** (L-R): Greg Olson - Asst Coach, Jordan Rea - 14, Bryton Stead - 10, Brett Lambert - 19, Braden Gilowski - 8, Hayden Chase - 11, Marshall Box - 17, Keith Chase - Head Coach.  
**Back Row** (L-R): Murray Caton - Asst Coach, Zach Manton - 18, Shayne Groeneveld - 6, Richard Thompson - 16, Chase Larsen - 7, Jeff Hiscoe - 3, Fred Dyck - Trainer/Asst Coach.

The Watkin Motors Mustangs are a PeeWee Tier 1 hockey team that represents the City of Vernon, B.C situated in the northern region of the beautiful Okanagan Valley. The Mustangs compete and are currently 3rd in a very competitive league as part of the Okanagan Mainline Minor Hockey Association. This year's team consists of sixteen second year players and one first year. So far this season the team has participated in the 7th Annual, International Seafair Icebreaker Tournament in Richmond, the Darcy Robinson Memorial tournament in Kamloops and the PeeWee Ice Tournament in Cranbrook. Each tournament has brought to our team an increased level of play and performance on and off the ice. This commitment and hard work from our players and coaches has enabled the Mustangs to compete with teams from Oregon, Washington, Alberta, Saskatchewan as well as many high caliber teams from British Columbia.

The Mustangs coaching staff is lead by Keith Chase and assistant coaches Murray Caton and Greg Olson. All three coaches have played and been involved with hockey in B.C. all their lives. A strong knowledge, experience and love of the game is brought to our team by our coaches who believe in commitment, hard work and team play. Keith is also a returning participant in the Vernon Winter Carnival. In 1979 Keith played as a Watkin Motors PeeWee player and was a proud winner of this historical tournament.



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'Esso Ernie' served as a coach, manager, vice-president and president in the Vernon Minor Hockey Association and was an owner with the Vernon Essos of the B.C. Junior Hockey League.

A volunteer firefighter and former member of the RCMP Auxiliary Force, Ernie died Dec. 12, 1997 at the age of 63. He is survived by his wife Viv, son Tom (now an NHL referee) and daughter Sue.

Ernie and his brother-in-law, Vern Dye, ran the Junior A franchise in Vernon for more than 20 years and the two men used their own vehicles to transport players on road trips.

Ernie coached the juvenile Reps in 1983 and made national headlines with a no-swearing policy on the team. He was named provincial coach-of-the-year in 1985 after he and Tom led the Vernon Atom Reps to the Okanagan title.

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dedication to hockey and to the physical and mental development of young Canadians.

Born in Ontario, she moved to Vernon with her husband Dan, after the Second World War. She is survived by her husband Dan and one son and daughter.

Amy Myles was a true and great friend to all who knew her.

**"B" DIVISION TROPHY — ALEX KULY TROPHY**

Born and raised in Portage La Prairie, Manitoba, Alex Kuly played some of his Junior Hockey with the Portage La Prairie Terriers. He then moved to the Flin Flon Bombers defence.

During the war he served in the Air Force as a physical education instructor and later returned to play defence for the Flin Flon Bombers. He moved to play defence for Kamloops, and to Vernon where

he coached for one season.

He was the head referee for the Okanagan Mainline Minor Hockey Association until he was transferred to Quesnel as the Forest Ranger.

While in Quesnel he coached the Quesnel Kangaroos. He returned to Vernon in 1961 where he was a strong supporter of the Minor Hockey.



ALEX KULY

**"C" DIVISION TROPHY — MICKEY McMAHON TROPHY**



MICKEY McMAHON

Born in Nelson, raised in Revelstoke, Mickey McMahon came to Vernon in 1951, where he was employed as a Telegrapher for the CPR.

His avid interest in sports and love of hockey, along with his enthusiasm for the younger players started his involvement with Minor Hockey in 1967.

He managed the pup division and pee wee rep teams. Along with coach Walt Trentini they took the team to win the "A" Division in 1973

and "B" Division in '74.

Mickey held various positions in Minor Hockey including President, 1975-76. He was presented with a Certificate of Merit in 1972 by the Canadian Legion for his contribution to Minor Hockey. In 1977 he was honoured by the Mother's Auxiliary and was also presented with a Life Membership in the Vernon Minor Hockey Association.

He is survived by his wife, one son and a daughter.

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MICKEY OGASAWARA

**"D" DIVISION TROPHY — MICKEY OGASAWARA TROPHY**

Michael Barton "Mickey" Ogasawara was born in Vernon July 22, 1936. Mickey started playing hockey as a pee wee, then played with the bantam and midget rep teams who won valley titles.

In 1952, although of midget age, he helped the Vernon Juveniles Hockey Club to win the B.C. Championship in Trail. In 1953, he played for the Juvenile Lacrosse team, coached by the late Ben Douglas and they won the B.C. Juvenile Championship, defeating New Westminster at the coast.

In 1954, he was the catcher for Nick's Aces

softball team (fastpitch) and won the B.C. Senior "B" Championship in Aldergrove.

In 1956, the Vernon Junior Hockey team won the B.C. Championship in Victoria with Mickey as a team member. In 1954 he started work for Kelly Douglas & Co., and became a "25 Year Club" member. After marriage he was head referee for the North Okanagan Hockey League and in the summer he umpired senior baseball games throughout the valley. His two daughters are carrying on his athletic traditions.

Mickey passed away October 18, 1981.



DAN OXNARD

**DAN OXNARD TROPHY — MOST SPORTSMANLIKE TEAM**

Dan Oxnard was born in Lytton, B.C. August 1944 and moved to Vernon in 1966. He was a professional firefighter for the Vernon Fire Department for 26 years. Dan gave a great deal of his time off helping raise money for Muscular Dystrophy and the B.C. Burn Unit. He got involved in Minor Hockey in 1975 where he spent 12 years coaching, managing teams or holding down executive positions as Director, Vice President and President.

If there was a job to be done Dan was always there to help.

Dan joined the Pee Wee Hockey tournament committee in 1985, spending the next 8 years making it the success it is today.

Dan died in a skiing accident in January, 1995. Dan is survived by his wife Darlene, daughter, Tanis and son David. He is missed by all who knew him.

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1977 Swift Current 7 Coquitlam 5  
1978 North Shore 10 Vernon 4  
1979 North Shore 10 Vernon 4  
1980 Vernon 6 St. Albert 3  
1981 Richmond 8 Nanaimo 4  
1982 Richmond 6 Kamloops 5  
1983 Fort Saskatchewan 6 Richmond 5 (OT)  
1984 Cowichan 5 Kamloops 1  
1985 Cowichan 3 Red Deer 2 (OT)  
1986 Cowichan 8 Fort Saskatchewan 5  
1987 Winnipeg Warriors 11 Richmond 2  
1988 Winnipeg 9 Kamloops 8 (OT)  
1989 Sherwood Park 3 Winnipeg 2 (OT)  
1990 Winnipeg Warriors 6 Cowichan 5 (OT)  
1991 Winnipeg St. Vital 9 Vernon 4  
1992 Kamloops 12 South Delta 3  
1993 Vernon 6 Prince George 3  
1994 Edmonton 6 Trail 1  
1995 Edmonton 5 Cowichan 4  
1996 Cranbrook 6 Semiahmoo 3  
1997 Prince George 4 Cranbrook 1  
1998 Semiahmoo 3 Winnipeg 2 (triple OT)  
1999 Edmonton KC 5 Penticton 1  
2000 Kamloops 7 St. Albert 6  
2001 Barrie 5 Edmonton Bruins 1  
2002 Port Coquitlam 4 Barrie 3 (2 OT)  
2003 Burnaby Winter Club 8 Prince George 3  
2004 Nanaimo 6 Prince George 4  
2005 Prince George 5 Abbotsford 2  
2006 Vernon 6 Fairbanks (2OT)  
2007 Vernon 5 Calgary Crowchild Blackhawks 3  
2008 Vernon 6 Swift Current Broncos 0  
2009 Calgary Blades 9 Burnaby WC Bruins 8

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Quesnel 4 Penticton 3  
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Coquitlam 13 Fort St. John 5  
Port Alberni 6 Vernon 4  
Fort St. John 5 Red Deer 4  
Red Deer 6 Swift Current 2  
Saskatoon 8 Brandon 3  
Terrace 7 North Shore 4  
Vernon 5 Prince George 3  
Prince George Sherwood Park 3  
St. Boniface 12 Trail 2  
Vernon 9 Nanaimo 8  
North Delta 3 Winnipeg 1  
Prince George 8 Winnipeg 7  
Coquitlam 7 Seattle 1  
Vernon 12 Victoria 4  
Winnipeg M's 6 Burnaby 5 (OT)  
Sherwood Park 10 Vernon 1  
Cowichan 9 Victoria 7  
Victoria 10 North Delta 3  
Nanaimo 6 Cowichan 3  
Edmonton 7 Vernon 6 (OT)  
Coquitlam 13 Nanaimo 8  
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Barrie 10 Vernon 3  
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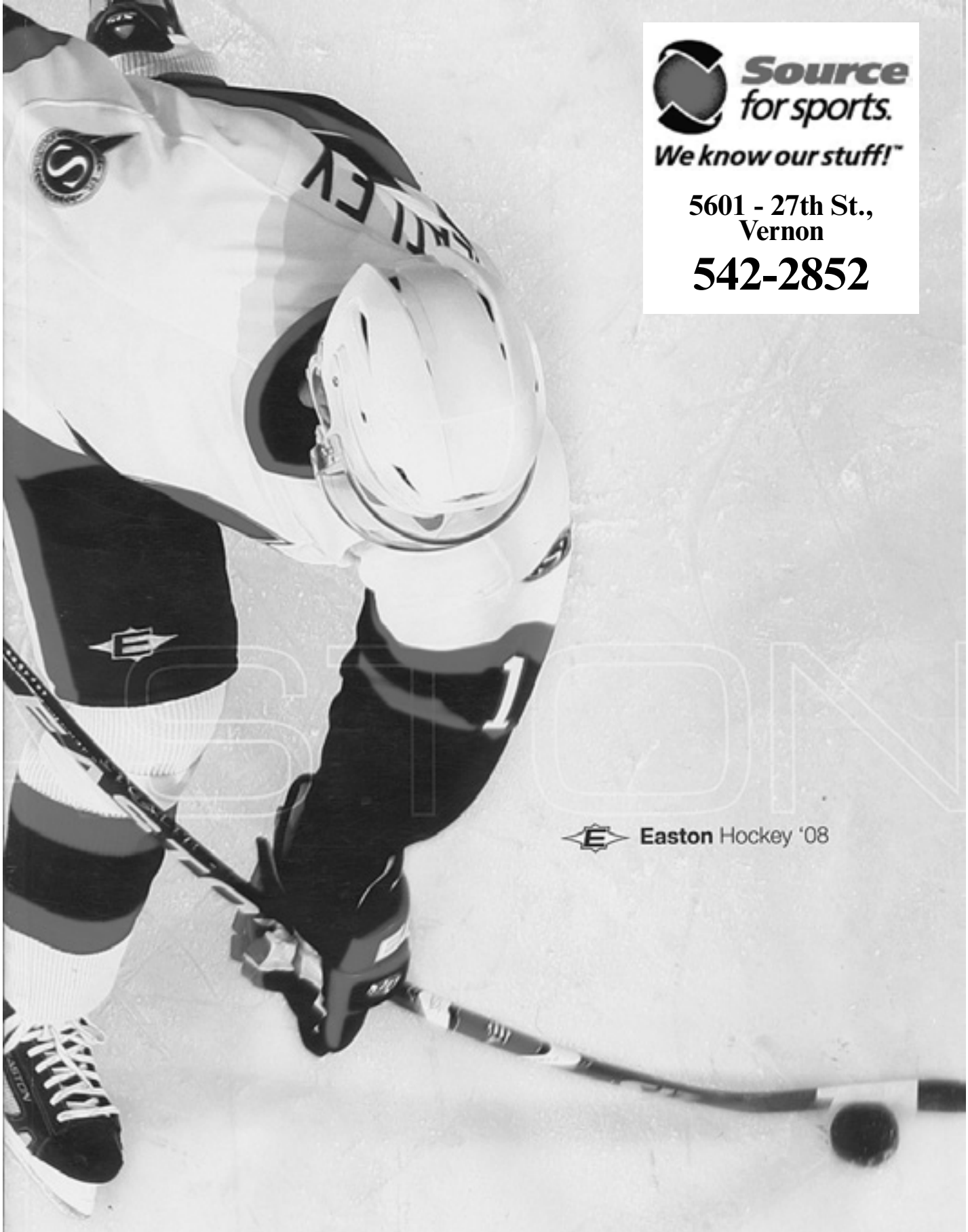
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