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Ontario delivered a solid gold performance at the John Labatt Centre in London, Ontario at the recent 2008 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge championship defeating Team USA 3-0 to capture the Gold medal title.

Challenge whereby Ontario, Team USA and West will hold the top three spots respectively as a result of their podium finish. Five international teams and five regional teams from across Canada will compete in this 7-day, 27 game tournament.

Ontario became the first team to win all of its games with a record of 6 consecutive wins for a total of 18 points, recording 30 goals for and 12 goals against. This marks Ontario's sixth championship win since the inception of this international tournament.

Team West won the bronze medal with a 9-6 victory over Team Pacific.

The World Under-17 Challenge is an international tournament and plays host to one hundred and ten of Canada's top Under 17 players. This development program is the first step in Hockey Canada's Program of Excellence and prepares players for future National and International competitions.

Port Albernie, BC will play host to the 2009 World Under 17

FINAL RANKINGS

	GP	W	L	PTS	GF	GA
Ontario	6	6	0	18	30	12
United States	6	4	1	12	26	15
West	6	4	2	12	30	24
Quebec	5	2	2	9	19	17
Russia	5	3	2	9	22	18
Pacific	6	2	3	7	25	26
Finland	5	2	3	6	26	27
Germany	5	2	3	6	15	18
Atlantic	5	1	4	3	10	25
Slovakia	5	0	5	0	11	32

Preparations are already underway in the selection process for Ontario's 2008-09 team with regional camps being held this spring culminating with the provincial selection camp June 26-29, 2008 in Thunder Bay, Ontario.



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DR. TOM PASHBY SPORTS SAFETY FUND 17th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

June 9, 2008

Deer Creek Golf Club in Ajax

11:30 Lunch/ 1pm Shotgun/ 7pm Dinner

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The 2008 Ontario Winter Games men's and women's hockey events wrapped up on Sunday March 9th after 4 days of exciting competition.

The men's finals were held at the Harry Lumley Bayshore Arena in Owen Sound, where Les Elans de Hearst (NOHA) defeated the North York (GTHL) Knights by a score of 3-1 to capture the gold medal title. The bronze medal was awarded to the Woodstock Navy Vets (ALLIANCE Hockey) in a 2-0 victory over the Nepean Raiders (ODMHA).

The women's hockey competition was held in Collingwood with Markham-Stouffville capturing the Gold medal with a win over Durham West 2-1 and Toronto defeated Barrie 2-1 to take home the Bronze.

Over 3,200 Athletes, Coaches and Officials participated in 23 sports over 5 days of competition at the Games, which is held every two years.

Final Results at www.owg2008.ca

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Trainer's Corner

Get the Protection You Need

Preventing illness and disease transmission in a team sport is paramount to maintaining team effectiveness. Good hygienic practices help to maintain a healthy team environment and ultimately assist in keeping the team and staff healthy throughout the hockey season. Poor hygiene can lead to a variety of communicable bacterial, fungal and viral infections, which can spread rapidly throughout the team.

The HDCO has introduced the following two new products to assist in the prevention of illness and disease transmission:

BAC - CHEK—GET THE PROTECTION

Odour is the least of your worries...

Although, unpleasant, that smell is merely the byproduct of strong and potentially dangerous strains of bacteria that live and breed in your equipment. Professional hockey players have been sidelined by serious skin infections they contracted from the bacteria in their equipment, the treatment of which required hospitalization.

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DR. TOM PASHBY PROVINCIAL TRAINER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The ODHA's **Jessica Keller** was the recipient of the prestigious Dr. Tom Pashby Provincial Trainer of the Year Award for 2007.

The Award recognizes an individual who demonstrates outstanding dedication and service in the areas of safety and risk management as well as a commitment to the values of safety, enjoyment, fair play, education and integrity in the game of hockey through the Hockey Trainers Certification Program in the province of Ontario.

Ms. Keller was nominated by the Ottawa District Hockey Association for her commitment to the importance of safety and education for those involved in attending to injuries in the game of Hockey. Jessica, having received her certification as an athletic therapist, has

spent the past two seasons working with teams in the ODHA to be-



come more familiar with the pace of the game and related injuries so that she is in a better position to access injured players in her professional practice and ensure their safe return to competition. She is also an active HTCP instructor, certifying over 200 trainers to date through these clinics.

As well, Jessica has volunteered to assist at various branch hockey activities such as the Under 17 camp. Her profound interest in becoming an integral part of the hockey community and helping to further the goals of the HTCP program has made her most deserving of this award.

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Jessica on her achievement and acknowledge the following regional award recipients:

Ernie Sapinski—Northern Ontario Hockey Association
David Smith—Ontario Minor Hockey Association
Bill Wilson Jr.—Greater Toronto Hockey League



ALLIANCE HOCKEY BANTAM AND MIDGET AAA Face Off Week- end

Stratford, ON - ALLIANCE Hockey kicked off its Bantam and Midget AAA seasons with a Face Off of regular season games in Kitchener (Bantam AAA) and Windsor (Midget AAA) on September 28 - 30, 2007.

The Bantam AAA Face Off kicked on on September 28 in Kitchener and saw each team play four games in three days. Joe Birch, Manager of Recruitment and Education for the Ontario Hockey League, spoke to the players and their families.

"It was a great weekend of competition and very informative for all involved," commented Tony Martindale, Executive Director of ALLIANCE Hockey. "The level of play and skill was tremendous."

The Midget AAA Face Off, meanwhile, took place in Windsor on the same weekend. The Face Off saw all eleven ALLIANCE Hockey Midget AAA teams play a total of three games each with the points contributing to the regular season standings.

"Our goal was to showcase the talent we have at the Midget AAA level and this was a great way to kick off our season," said Tony Foresi, ALLIANCE Hockey Midget Programming Chair. "Based on the play this weekend, we have more parity in the league than ever before."

Cambridge Defeats Kitchener at the Toyota Challenge

Kitchener, ON - The Cambridge AAA Minor Bantam Hawks are off to Japan in March, 2008 after their 4-2 win over the Kitchener Jr Rangers last night at the Kitchener Auditorium in front of close to 2000 fans.

The Hawks earned the trip to Hokkaido, Japan for a cultural exchange with the Tomakomai Allstars and as in past years, Toyota Motor Manufacturing Canada will cover expenses. A Japanese team will pay a return visit in March 2009.

Toyota Motor Manufacturing Canada (TMMC) invited the Kitchener, Cambridge and Waterloo AAA Minor Bantam minor hockey teams to participate in this year's Toyota Hockey Challenge. Kitchener guaranteed themselves a place in the December 1st game by winning their first three games as part of a series of six round robin games in which the Waterloo Wolves were eliminated.

"What a thrill for these participants to play in a game with the winning team receiving a trip to Japan!" said Harry Blink-

horn, Chair of the Toyota Challenge Organizing Committee.

Kitchener opened the scoring in the first period before Cambridge roared back to take a 3-1 lead entering the third period. The Hawks padded the margin to 4-1 before the Rangers replied with the game's final goal with nine minutes remaining.

Robert Bennett led the Hawks with two goals while Andrew Coupland (unassisted) and Nicholas Feedak scored the others. All of the Cambridge goals came on the power play. Jacob Dotchin added two assists for Cambridge with Drake Murphy-Schneider adding another assist. Thomas Haley and Philip Moser scored for the Rangers with assists to Brock Campbell, Alexander Rzymkowski and Steven Jankiela.

The Cambridge AAA Hawks will travel to Hokkaido, Japan during March Break of 2008, for a cultural exchange with the Tomakomai Allstars, expenses paid by TMMC.

In November of 2005, the Kitchener and Cambridge teams earned the right to play in the Championship Game to determine which team would travel to Japan. Over 3000 people were treated to a great hockey game with Kitchener winning 4-3 in overtime.

March 2008 will mark the sixth time a local team from the Kitchener-Waterloo Region has traveled to Japan for the exchange. A return visit by a Japanese team will be hosted in March of 2009.



ALLIANCE Hockey - The Spirit of Giving

Kitchener, ON - The Kitchener Jr Rangers Bantam team gathered at Walmart recently to purchase gifts for a very deserving family, rather than exchanging small gifts among themselves.

Head Coach Greg Stickle selected a family from the Family and Children's Services for his team to buy gifts for this holiday season. The single mother of two boys needed clothes and household amenities and of course some fun things for the boys.

The 13-year old boys from the Jr Rangers and their families had pooled together about \$360 to spend.

Members of the Kitchener Jr Rangers Bantam hockey team.

[Photo - Jim Hagen, The Record]



ALLIANCE Hockey

Has Big Role in Recent Ontario Under 17 Championship in London

Name	Team	GP	G	A	PPG	PPA	SHG	GW	FG	TG	IN	PM	PTS
Matthew Duchene	ON	6	4	6	1	3	0	1	1	0	0	8	10
Casey Cizikas	ON	6	4	5	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	9
Ryan Ellis	ON	6	1	8	0	5	0	0	1	0	0	8	9
Taylor Hall	ON	5	4	4	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	4	8
Andrew Agozzino	ON	6	5	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	12	7
Peter Holland	ON	6	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	6
Zach Kassian	ON	6	2	4	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	4	6
Ryan O'Reilly	ON	6	0	6	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Joey Hishon	ON	6	2	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	14	5
Peter Hermenegildo	ON	6	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	3
Ryan Martindale	ON	6	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Ethan Werek	ON	6	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2
Taylor Doherty	ON	6	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	2
Daniel Maggio	ON	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	1
Tyler Randell	ON	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1
Taylor Beck	ON	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bryce O'Hagen	ON	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Michael Zador	ON	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brett Flemming	ON	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brett Cook	ON	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
David Corrente	ON	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0

Picture - From Left to Right, #2 Taylor Doherty (Cambridge Minor Hockey), #5 Daniel Maggio (Windsor and Sun County AAA), #16 Michael Latta (Waterloo Minor Hockey Association), Rob Kitamura Director of Operations, Team Ontario (Former Coach, Hamilton Reps), Jason Brook, Head Coach, Team Ontario, Joe O'Neill, Under 17 Chair, (Former President London Jr. Knights), Current Representative Council Chair, ALLIANCE Hockey, Tony Foresi, Senior Vice President ALLIANCE Hockey, #17 Joey Hishon, (Stratford Minor Hockey), #3 Ryan Ellis (Cambridge Minor Hockey), #10 Zach Kassian (Windsor and Sun County AAA) and #9 Ryan O'Reilly (Huron Perth AAA). In goal for Team USA was Brendon Maxwell (Cambridge Minor Hockey) Picture was taken after Team Ontario Championship Win over Team USA 3-0 in front of 8,852 fans at the John Labatt Centre in London. Team Ontario went 6 and 0 at the Championship outscoring the opposition 30 - 12.





OHL Stars Claim Gold on World Stage

By Aaron Bell

It was a golden New Year for 30 OHL stars that helped Canada and Ontario win gold medals at the World Junior and World Under-17 Championships.

Matt Halischuk of the Kitchener Rangers scored 3:36 into overtime to lift Canada to a 3-2 win over Sweden in the gold medal game at the World Junior Championships in Pardubice, Czech Republic on January 5. One day earlier, Taylor Hall of the Windsor Spitfires scored a goal and added an assist and Bryce O'Hagen of the Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds made 28 saves for the shutout to help Ontario to a 3-0 win over the U.S.A. in the gold medal game at the World Under-17 Challenge at the John Labatt Centre in London.

The win gave Canada its fourth straight gold medal at the World Junior Championships and an opportunity to tie its own record of five in a row on home ice next year in Ottawa.

In the gold medal game, Brad Marchand of the Halifax Mooseheads and Claude Giroux of the Gatineau Olympiques gave Canada a two-goal lead after one period. After a scoreless second period, Jonathan Carlsson scored a powerplay marker early in the third and Tomas Larsson tied the game with 38 seconds left with the Swedish goaltender on the bench for an extra attacker.

"The Swedes were unbelievable in the third period and there was nothing we could do to stop them, they just kept coming," said Canadian coach Craig Hartsburg of the Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds. "The kids were on their heels and we talked on the bench, but I give them credit - they regrouped and came out. I am so happy for these kids. They are a great group of kids."

Halischuk ended the game when he banged in a loose puck after Shawn Matthias of the Belleville Bulls brought it out from the corner. It was Canada's first shot on net in the extra frame.

"This is really special," Halischuk said immediately after scoring the winner. "I'm speechless. I just love these guys."

Steve Mason of the Rangers was named tournament MVP and turned in a 26-save performance in the gold medal game.

"It is unbelievable and I can't believe we won," Mason said during the post-game celebration on the ice. "This is the best feeling I have ever had in my whole life. I am just the happiest guy in the world right now."

Matthias was named Canada's top forward of the tournament while Karl Alzner of the Calgary Hitmen was Canada's top defenceman. Drew Doughty of the Guelph Storm was named the top defenceman of the tournament.

In London, Ontario claimed its second straight gold medal after winning the Under-17 championship at the Canada Winter Games last year in Whitehorse.

Hall opened the scoring in the first period and then set up Peter Holland of the Guelph Storm in the second. Matt Duchene of the Brampton Battalion also scored in the second period.

Michael Zador of the London Knights started the five previous games for Ontario but had the flu and wasn't available to play in the final. O'Hagen held his ground despite Ontario being outshot 28-19. He was especially busy during the second period when the U.S. held a 14-5 advantage on the shot clock but couldn't solve the Ontario netminder.

Duchene finished the tournament as Ontario's leading scorer with 10 points in six games.

The team included 20 OHL rookies along with head coach Jason Brooks of the Guelph Storm and assistant coaches Jake Grimes from the Belleville Bulls and Mario Cichillo of the Niagara IceDogs.

The event featured five regional teams from across Canada and five international teams from Finland, Germany, Russia, Slovakia and USA.



Team Ontario's
Matthew Duchene



OHF Announces Event Locations for 2008 Championship Events

The Ontario Hockey Federation (OHF) is pleased to announce the 2008 OHF Championship Host Centres. At this time, the minor hockey season is in high gear. With just over three months to go until game one of the Championship weekend, now is the time for Atom through Juvenile teams to set their goals on attaining a qualifying spot at the OHF Branch Championships.

The 2008 OHF Championships will take place on the weekend of April 11 – 13 in ten host communities. The OHF Championships mark the end of the hockey season for fifty minor hockey teams. The participants at the OHF Championships consists of five championship division teams from each of the OHF minor hockey Member Partners; Alliance Hockey (ALLIANCE), Greater Toronto Hockey League (GTHL), Northern Ontario Hockey Association (NOHA), Ontario Minor Hockey Association (OMHA) and host team.



The OHF congratulates the following Host Centres to host the 2008 OHF Championships:

Championship	Host Centre (Member Partner)	Arena
Atom A	St. Thomas MHA (OMHA)	St. Thomas Timken Community Centre
Atom AA	Woodstock MHA (ALLIANCE)	Southwood Arena
Atom AAA	Minor Oaks Hockey Association (OMHA)	Joshua Creek Arenas
PeeWee A	Applewood Minor Hockey (GTHL)	Chic Murray Arena
PeeWee AA	Timmins MHA (NOHA)	Archie Dillon Sportsplex
Bantam A	Temiskaming Shores Puckhounds (NOHA)	New Liskeard Recreation Centre
Bantam AA	Mississauga North Stars (GTHL)	Herb Carnegie Centennial Arena
Midget A	Stratford MHA (ALLIANCE)	Stratford Rotary Complex
Midget AA	Newmarket MHA (OMHA)	Ray Twinney Complex
Juvenile	Leaside Kings (GTHL)	Victoria Village Arena

The Dudley Hewitt Cup is the Central Ontario Junior "A" Championship. This event will take place in Newmarket from April 22-26, 2008 with all games taking place at the Ray Twinney Recreation Complex.



The winning team from the Renwick Cup senior hockey championships advances to represent Ontario at the Allan Cup. The year 2008 marks the 100th anniversary of the Allan Cup. This event will take place from April 14-20, 2008 and will take place out of the Brantford and District Civic Centre.



The 2008 All-Ontario Bantam AAA Championship will be hosted by the Huron Perth Lakers (ALLIANCE) and all games will take place at the Stratford Rotary Complex from March 23-29, 2008.



Visit the OHF Online at www.ohf.on.ca for announcements and developments pertaining on these events and those at the Regional and National level.



It has been a very busy summer and fall within the Northern Ontario Hockey Association. Since we last reported the NOHA has hosted its playoffs, Annual General meeting and started the 2007-2008 season.

2008 Northern Ontario Hockey Association Championships

NOVICE AA - TIMMINS – FEBRUARY 29, MARCH 1, 2, 2008
 NOVICE A - HEARST – FEBRUARY 29, MARCH 1, 2, 2008
 NOVICE B – ESPANOLA – FEBRUARY 29, MARCH 1, 2, 2008
 NOVICE C – WEST NIPISSING – FEBRUARY 29, MARCH 1, 2, 2008
 ATOM AA – SAULT STE MARIE –SAULT MAJOR – MARCH 7-9, 2008
 MINOR ATOM AA – TIMMINS – MARCH 7-9, 2008
 ATOM A - NICKEL CENTRE – MARCH 7-9, 2008
 MINOR ATOM A –NICKEL CENTRE – MARCH 7-9, 2008
 ATOM B – COCHRANE – MARCH 7-9, 2008
 ATOM C – WAWA- MARCH 7-9, 2008
 ATOM D - SCHUMACHER- MARCH 7-9, 2008
 PEEWEE AAA – SAULT STE MARIE – SAULT MAJOR-MARCH 7-9, 2008
 PEEWEE AA – TIMMINS - FEBRUARY 29, MARCH 1, 2, 2008
 MINOR PEEWEE AA - TIMMINS – FEBRUARY 29, MARCH 1, 2, 2008
 PEEWEE A – TEMISKAMING SHORES- FEBRUARY 29, MARCH 1, 2, 2008
 PEEWEE B – COCHRANE- FEBRUARY 29, MARCH 1, 2, 2008
 PEEWEE C – TEMISKAMING SHORES - FEBRUARY 29, MARCH 1, 2, 2008
 PEEWEE D – ENGLEHART – FEBRUARY 29, MARCH 1, 2, 2008
 MINOR BANTAM AAA – SAULT STE MARIE - MARCH 7-9, 2008
 BANTAM AA – SUDBURY – MARCH 7-9, 2008
 MINOR BANTAM AA – SUDBURY – MARCH 7-9, 2008
 BANTAM A – WEST NIPISSING-MARCH 7-9, 2008
 MINOR BANTAM A – ESPANOLA – MARCH 7-9, 2008
 BANTAM B – IROQUOIS FALLS – MARCH 7-9, 2008
 BANTAM C – SAULT STE MARIE –SAULT MAJOR - MARCH 7-9, 2008
 BANTAM D –POWASSAN- MARCH 7-9, 2008
 MIDGET AA – SAULT STE MARIE - MARCH 14-16, 2008
 MIDGET A – PORCUPINE-MARCH 13-16, 2008
 MIDGET B – COCHRANE-MARCH 14-16, 2008
 MIDGET C - SAULT STE MARIE –SAULT MAJOR-MARCH 14-16, 2008
 MIDGET D – CHAPLEAU- MARCH 14-16, 2008

OHF Championships

Peewee AA – Timmins – April 11-13, 2008
 Bantam A – Temiskaming Shores – April 11-13, 2008

NOHA ANNUAL MEETING

The NOHA held its 2007 Annual meeting in Kirkland Lake and announced our Award winners for the 2006-2007 season.

NOHA Award Winners

Angus Campbell Merit Award

Jack Hynes, Copper Cliff

Ken Neeb Memorial Award

Len Van Eyk, Rayside Balfour

Tom Pashby Trainer of the Year Award

Ernie Sapinski, Schumacher

HC/NOHA Officials Awards

Most Promising – Tyler McGee, Timmins

Most Deserving – Michel Blanchard, Sudbury

Most Improved – T.J. Foster, Astorville

Jim Connors Memorial Award – Raymond Piette, Hearst

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2008 NOHA PROGRAM OF EXCELLENCE (UNDER 17) APPLICATION

The 2008 NOHA Program of Excellence Under 17 Camps will be held in April 2008. Player applications have been sent directly to all players born in 1992 and are available on the NOHA website. This camp is only available to NOHA players. The staff application form is also available on the NOHA website.

UNDER 17 DATES & LOCATIONS

Mini and Main Camp	April 18-20, 2008	Espanola
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**For more information visit
www.noha.on.ca**

NOHA ANNUAL MEETING – MAY 2-4, 2008 – HOSTED BY SUDBURY MINOR ASSOCIATION

For room reservations, please call the Travelodge Hotel at 1-800-578-7878. The AGM will be held at the Idylwyld Golf and Country Club.

SPECIALTY CLINICS

Hockey Canada has developed a series of specialty clinics to offer coaches a practical session on teaching various skills, tactics and systems. The Northern Ontario Hockey Association (NOHA) is pleased to offer – beginning in January 2008 – the following four specialty clinics:

- Skating
- Small Area Games
- Shooting and Scoring
- Puck Control

These specialty clinics have been developed to provide additional training and education for coaches which they can implement with their players. The instructional modules are based around newly created Hockey Canada resources that address a player's technical and tactical development. The most important aspect is that the coaches learn how to teach the skills effectively. Each clinic includes an in-class and on-ice component. The in-class sessions will last approximately 50 minutes and includes an electronic presentation of the skills and discussion of the skills required to perform each drill. Each clinic also requires approximately 60 minutes of ice.

How Clinics will be Offered

For this season, the NOHA will be scheduling some of these specialty clinics in order to demonstrate some of the additional tools that are available to coaches. If an Association would like to offer a specialty clinic this season, please advise the NOHA office and we will do our best to accommodate you. Once a specialty clinic has been scheduled, the date and location will be posted on the NOHA website under the Development page (www.noha.on.ca).

Costs

The costs for each clinic will be \$25.00 per person. All participants will receive a specialty clinic manual, as well as have the opportunity to perform the skills on-ice.

Participants

The minimum number of participants for each specialty clinic is 12 and the maximum is 24. Due to the wide range of skills demonstrated, the clinics are educational for coaches from the Initiation to Midget level.

For any questions regarding the specialty clinics, please contact Jason Marchand at the NOHA Office by e-mail (jmarchand@noha.on.ca) or at (705) 474-8851.



2008

PENALTY FREE SWEEPSTAKES

TEAMS SCORE BIG IN THE PENALTY FREE SWEEPSTAKES!

The Sweepstakes program is a promotion created by the members of the Hockey Development Centre for Ontario to foster skills, safety, and sportsmanship by encouraging penalty free play in Canada's most popular sport. This program is supported by the Ontario Ministry of Health Promotion.

"The Penalty Free Sweepstakes has been promoting skills, safety and sportsmanship to communities throughout Ontario for the past twenty-one years and we are very pleased with the tremendous response this program continues to receive, remarked HDCO Executive Director, Wayne Dillon. Everyone benefits from the positive values this program advocates and we would like to commend the thousands of players, coaches, officials, trainers, parents and all volunteers who have all played a positive role by encouraging penalty free hockey."

In addition to the 68 prize-winning teams, each member on every team who entered the contest will receive a commemorative wristband in recognition of their penalty free play along with discount coupons from Pizza Pizza.

In conjunction with the Sweepstakes program, 10 Penalty Free MVPs were selected in a random draw to receive a McDonald's® Great Taste Card, a family pass to the Hockey Hall of Fame and a special trophy. This award was established to recognize individual players, nominated by their coach, who embody the values of the Penalty Free Sweepstakes – skills, safety and sportsmanship.

The members of the Hockey Development Centre for Ontario would like to extend our congratulations to all the boys and girls, men and women, who have demonstrated their support by playing penalty free hockey. The HDCO also extends appreciation to all our corporate partners for making the 2008 Penalty Free Sweepstakes such a positive initiative.

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- HITZ SPORTSWEAR
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- WAYNE GRETZKY'S TORONTO
- WINDSOR SPITFIRES OF THE OHL

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PRIZE WINNERS

BRAMPTON BATTALION TICKETS

BRAMPTON MINOR BANTAM SHARPSHOOTERS BRAMPTON BANTAM

GRETZKY TEE SHIRTS

TORONTO ROYALS MIDGET CONCORD MIDGET
BRADFORD BANTAM #1 BRADFORD BANTAM

HOCKEY HALL OF FAME PASSES

FORTINOS FLAMES DUNDAS ATOM

HITZ JERSEYS

HOLLYWOOD GELATO TORONTO ATOM
SCARBOROUGH YOUNG LEAFS SCARBOROUGH PEEWEE

THE HOCKEY NEWS SUBSCRIPTION

TERRACE BAY SUPERIORS TERRACE BAY BANTAM
BOART LONGYEAR VIKINGS NORTH BAY BANTAM
SOUTH END RANGERS THUNDER BAY BANTAM

KEWL WINDSUITS

BEACHBURG BULLS NOVICE WESTMEATH NOVICE

KOBE TRACKSUITS

VAUGHAN RANGERS JUVENILE AAA MAPLE JUVENILE

LASER QUEST PARTY

ATOM C TEAM E "THE MINI SENS" OTTAWA ATOM
NATURE'S SOURCE RED BARONS MISSISSAUGA BANTAM
KITCHENER LADY RANGERS KITCHENER ATOM
MARKHAM WAXERS NOVICE MARKHAM NOVICE
GEORGETOWN RAIDERS GEORGETOWN NOVICE
PEEWEE BB LONDON PEEWEE
QUEENSWAY ETOBICOKE ATOM

TORONTO MARLIES AHL TICKETS

TORONTO ICE DOGS MINOR PEEWEE A ETOBICOKE PEEWEE
XPRESS SOLUTIONS CALEDON MIDGET

MCDONALD'S GREAT TASTE CARDS

LIGHTNING - OPG PICKERING PEEWEE
TEAM CANADA BURLINGTON NOVICE
LONDON OAKRIDGE MINOR NOVICE LONDON NOVICE

NHLPA PRIZE PACK

LITTLE STARS FORT ERIE BELOW NOVICE

OMHA PRIZE PACK

LINDSAY BOYER CHEV NOVICE LINDSAY NOVICE

OSHAWA GENERALS OHL TICKETS

OCHL MAJOR PEEWEE SELECTS OSHAWA PEEWEE
ALBERT ST MIDGET OSHAWA MIDGET

PIZZA PIZZA TEAM PARTY

OTTAWA CENTRE THUNDER OTTAWA NOVICE
STONEY CREEK BANTAM DUCKS STONEY CREEK BANTAM
GALLANT AUTO ETOBICOKE BELOW NOVICE
MARKHAM WAXERS MINOR ATOM MARKHAM ATOM
DREW HOMEWOOD CALDWELL BANKER TORONTO ATOM
CARAVAN KIDS #8 BURLINGTON NOVICE
ROSEDALE MIDGET FLYERS STONEY CREEK MIDGET
FORT HENRY FLAMES KINGSTON ATOM
LESSARD STEPHENS BULLDOGS TIMMINS ATOM

MARSDENS DISTINCTIVE AWARDS
SOUTHERN CAPITAL COMETS
BLOMHA MINOR PEEWEE #8 SIBLEY
TOTAL BUILDING MAINTENANCE TBM
OAK RIDGES PEEWEE 4
MARKHAM WAXERS NOVICE AE1 '99
ORILLIA HAWKS
WATERLOO PEEWEE C NOW B
BRANTFORD SAINTS
NORTHERN HOME COMFORT
BARRIE POLICE ASSOC
LIGHTNING - BAY CYCLE SPORT
WEST END CRUSADERS

BARRIE ATOM
OTTAWA ATOM
BURLINGTON PEEWEE
GUELPH PEEWEE
RICHMOND HILL PEEWEE
MARKHAM NOVICE
ORILLIA MIDGET
WATERLOO PEEWEE
BRANTFORD NOVICE
NORTH BAY ATOM
BARRIE ATOM
AJAX PEEWEE
OTTAWA ATOM

PLAYDIUM PLAY CARDS

MISSISSAUGA NORTH STARS MISSISSAUGA PEEWEE
COOKSVILLE PHANTOMS MISSISSAUGA PEEWEE

RYR SPORTS INC. HOCKEY BAGS

HILLCREST SUMMITS PEEWEE A NORTH YORK PEEWEE

RYR SPORTS INC. HOCKEY PANTS

ALCOM ICE HAWKS SCARBOROUGH ATOM

RYR SPORTS INC. TRACK SUITS

DRIVELINE HOGAN/2006 TORONTO NOVICE

RYR SPORTS INC. PRACTICE JERSEY

HUNTSVILLE TYKE SELECT HUNTSVILLE BELOW NOVICE
CUSTOM DOOR & LOCK SCARBOROUGH BELOW NOVICE
MILLBROOK TYKE 1 STARS CAVAN BELOW NOVICE
SENATORS KITCHENER BELOW NOVICE
PETRO PUCKS COCHENOUR BELOW NOVICE

SUDBURY WOLVES OHL TICKETS

HANSON DENTISTRY MINOR MIDGET VAL CARON MIDGET

VICEROY PAIL OF PUCKS

ARNPRIOR WHITEHAWKS ARNPRIOR NOVICE

VICEROY PRACTICE ICE

KAPUSKASING LITTLE DEVILS KAPUSKASING NOVICE
RICHMOND ROYALS - NOVICE C MUNSTER NOVICE

VICEROY PRO-SNAP

BUSY BEE ESPANOLA ATOM
BLACKHAWKS BRANTFORD BELOW NOVICE

VICEROY SOFT HANDS

PLAY IT AGAIN SPORTS TORONTO BELOW NOVICE
GORE BAY BRUINS GORE BAY BELOW NOVICE

WINDSOR SPITFIRES OHL TICKETS

RIVERSIDE RANGERS WINDSOR BANTAM

2008 PENALTY FREE MVPS

Megan Brooks	Tilbury	Age 10
Justin Chester	Kitchener	Age 8
Noah Desruisseaux	St. Anns	Age 8
Amanda Kernohan	Oshawa	Age 11
Josh Koczak	Toronto	Age 11
Noah Plumstead	Paris	Age 7
Mackenzie Rutledge	Shelburne	Age 8
Kristen Stanley	Wallaceburg	Age 12
Jacob Struminikovski	Scarborough	Age 14
Logan Wallace	Honeywood	Age 17

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL

OUR WINNERS!