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Hogs hose down Hosers

The Hosers, also known as the firefighters, no longer hold bragging rights on the coveted trophy they had since 1995. The Hogs dumped the Hosers 11-6 in front of a crowd of 700 at Memorial Arena on Wednesday night. The charity game, sponsored by [Royal LePage](#), raised over \$4,000 for the United Way with help from the beer gardens put on by the Barley Mill. The United Way has already said the game will be played again next year.

Local makes CIS debut

As one of B.C.'s most highly-touted volleyball players out of high school, Nate Speijer could have began his Canadian Interuniversity Sport career at any time over the last four years. Instead, the Penticton product chose to stay close to home and ply his trade with the UBC Okanagan Heat. On Friday night at 8 p.m., Speijer and the Heat face the University of Winnipeg in Canada West action at the UBCO gym.

"We're all ecstatic about this," said Speijer, a former BCCAA rookie of the year and MVP. "We've been waiting for his ever since we first knew there would be good possibility this would happen. Now that it's finally here, it's almost a relief." The Heat and Wesmen will square off again Saturday with matches at 6 and 8 p.m.

Lakers field hockey

Pen High's senior girls field hockey team had a strong outing against South Kamloops despite losing 3-0. Lakers coach Shaun Johnston said defenders Breanne Stoll and Ali Pearson along with midfielders Anne Theilmann and Anna Jo Grandbois had strong games. Goalkeeper Kyra Anderson blanked the Titans in the second half. Next action for the team is at the Valley Championships in Kelowna on Oct. 29. The Lakers play South Kamloops in the semifinal of second and third place teams with the winner earning a berth in the Provincials Nov. 9 to 11 in Kelowna.

Five Penticton players make Selects

The Penticton flavour is growing on the Burnaby Mountain Selects team. Jean-Luc Chetner, Liam Kircher, Chris Pond and Connor and Mitchell Walton have been chosen for the fall rosters. Chetner and Kircher will play on the junior teams, which will play in Charlotte, NC, while Connor Walton will play on the sophomore team, which will travel to Baltimore, MD and San Diego, CA and Pond and Walton on the senior teams, which will go to Baltimore and Tampa, FL.

Mitchell, Liam and Mitchell's younger brother Connor are all returnees. Kircher enters his sixth season, while Mitchell is in his fourth and Connor his second. Chetner and Pond are in their first season. Both athletes have attended camps up at SFU in the past and most recently attended the live-in camp this past summer. Head coach Brent Hoskins said camps actually gave them the opportunity to first work with all five of the Penticton athletes in their program. They are able to identify each of them as top player's in their age category and extend them an invitation to compete with the Elite Touring Program.

"As lacrosse continues to grow in Penticton, it is definitely an area where we look to identify up and coming talent," said Hoskins. "What impressed us the most about Jean-Luc is his athleticism and creativity offensively."

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He also has a fearless nature to his game which allows him to excel at both ends of the field, as well as in transition. Chetner has great instincts around the net and is a definite scoring threat in the midfield.

"What immediately stood out about Chris is his character and leadership," continued Hoskins. "He plays with a lot of composure and can have a real settling influence out on the field. His size makes him an imposing force on defense and in transition but he is also an athlete that we believe has a lot of upside offensively. He plays extremely well within our offensive sets and has the ability to drive and score with the ball."

Ice Dragons suffer losses

The Peaches Lingerie midget female Ice Dragons hockey team endured two difficult losses in Superleague play.

On Saturday, they lost a close game to Summerland 5-3. Cassie Kolisnyk had two goals and Carley Pearson had one in a game that was tied until part way through the third period. On Sunday, they ran out of steam in the last part of the game (having led 4-2 at the end of the second) only to lose 5-4 to Westside. Goals were scored by Jessie Olfert, with two, Zoe Konanz and Kolisnyk. Sylvia Barnett was solid in goal for both games.

Female midget Rockets score wins

The Thompson Okanagan female midget AAA Rockets were in Nelson for two league games against the Kootenay Wildcats on the weekend. The Rockets won the first game 9-0 with Tara Bouvette earning the shutout. Among the goal scorers were Penticton's Christine Crawford and Princeton's Colby Williams with two goals and three assists. Osoyoos' Miranda Pendergraft had one assist. In game two, the Rockets won 5-1. Williams scored a goal and two assists. Crawford and Pendergraft each set up goals. The following players make up the Rockets: Jamie Grove - Kelowna, Cora Sutton - Kamloops, Danielle Butler - Vernon, Jesse Keca - Kelowna, Mackenzie Barrie - Vernon, Kiana Karolyi - Kamloops, Kendall Schultz - West Kelowna, Rebecca Blinkhorn - Winfield, Lindsey Rose - Kamloops, Taylor Whiteside - Kelowna, Courtney Morice - Kamloops, Melissa Hume - Salmon Arm, Maggie Shykula-Ross - Salmon Arm and Tara Bouvette - Kamloops. Penticton's Mark Elder is the head coach and is assisted by Kevin Williams of Princeton and John Sutton of Kamloops.

Penticton men's rec hockey

Jamin Feist scored twice to lead the Best Damn Wings past the Broncos 5-4. Also scoring for the Best Damn Wings were Joel Graf, Tom Gabriel and Nathan McGinnis. Josh Seddon scored three while Andrew Pond added the fourth Broncos goal.

Aric Stickney and Ryan MacMurchy scored a pair in a 7-7 tie with the Wings. Other Wolverine scorers were Andy McGinn, Jamie Britton and Scott Weatherhead. For the Wings with McGinnis and Gabriel with two, Chase Fillion, Brendan Miller and Feist.

Interior Football League

Invermere defeated the Penticton Cougars 26-7 on Oct. 23 at McNichol Park. Chris Nowroski scored the lone touchdown for the Cougars. Cougars coach Terence Westera said his players moved the ball well but made some costly turnovers. The Cougars were also inconsistent with their throwing game.

"The little things are killing us," said Westera.

The Cougars next game is Sunday in Vernon against the Magnums.

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