



>>> WELCOME!

As we roll into the season we wanted to reach out with our first newsletter to let members know what's coming up.

A big thank you to our registrar, convenors, board members, coaches, managers, and technical team, as well as HWI members who have spent countless hours getting our players and teams set up, and who will continue their work throughout the season.

Hockey West Island would like to take this time to remind all members that the hockey environment — which includes on-, and off-ice activities — shall consist of respect and adherence to the rules and regulations in place to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all participants.

- Everyone deserves a respectful environment.
- It is our collective responsibility to ensure that hockey reflects inclusivity, fairness, and safety.

There is no room in the game for behaviour that is contrary to the Hockey Québec Code of Ethics.

As we embark on the 2023-2024 season, let's make this the best one yet!



>>> VOLUNTEERING

HWI is a volunteer-driven organization and cannot sustain itself without them. We encourage everyone to volunteer a minimum of two (2) hours with the association over the course of the season.

While volunteering is not mandatory, HWI critically needs more help and does not wish to burn out the people who already contribute hundreds of hours each season. Team coaches, team managers, and board members need not volunteer any additional hours for the association on top of the work they already put in over the season.

SEASON CLINICS

Hockey West Island is pleased to offer player and goalie development clinics in conjunction with its professional technical team.

The clinics aim to develop our young players in a challenging but fun environment.

Registration for autumn player clinics and season-long goalie clinics will open at <u>8pm on Wednesday</u>, <u>October 4</u>.

FIND THE DETAILS AND REGISTRATION LINKS HERE:

CLICK HERE

PRECISION HOCKEY

U9 & U11 Skills Clinics

Wednesdays 5:30pm 11 weeks, October 11 to December 20

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TUESDAYS 4:30pm 7 weeks, November 7 to December 19

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U13, U15, U18 Skills Clinics

Wednesdays 6:30pm 11 weeks, October 11 to December 20

GOALIE CLINICS

U9 & U11 goalies

Mondays 6:00pm 20 weeks, October 16 to March 11

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U13, U15, U18 goalies

Mondays 7:00pm 20 weeks, October 16 to March 11



Throughout the season, HWI will also be offering specialized clinics for different positions and skills. The first of these clinics will take place on October 26th.

IN THIS CLINIC: SHOOTING Proper techniques and mechanics

U9 & U11

Single Letter players only 6PM - 7PM

U13 - U18

Single Letter players only 7PM - 8PM

Registration for this clinic will open at <u>11am on Friday, October 6</u>.

FIND THE DETAILS AND REGISTRATION LINK HERE: CLICK HERE.

>>> NEWS AND REMINDERS

- 24 Rule In the event you wish to discuss an issue with a coach, manager, or board member, please wait 24 hours before addressing your concern. The purpose of this rule is to ensure a conversation that is as objective as possible. Any form of intimidation and disrespect will not be tolerated by Hockey West Island.
- Those wishing to sell, buy, or give away used hockey equipment can join the HWI Facebook group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/2990384787935703 Simply upload (clear) photos, add a description, location, and price.
- Parking at BB The Bob-Birnie Arena parking lot is very busy on weekends. Please allow yourself extra time to find a parking spot, and only drop off your children in the designated lane (marked in blue below). Stopping anywhere else risks you receiving a ticket and infuriating every single driver stuck behind you.
- The Central Hockey League in which HWI plays has welcomed Association Hockey Mineur Ile Perrot (AHMIP) and Association Hockey Mineur Hockey Vaudreuil-Dorion (AHMVD) to the league. The addition of these two associations will ensure more single letter teams at all levels (U9-U18).



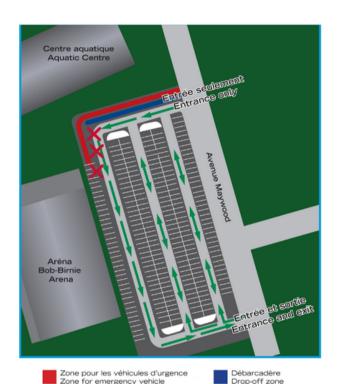
















HWI Merchandise — You asked, and we answered! Online stores are available for you to purchase HWI Ts, hoodies, hats, caps, tracksuits, jackets, branded sticks, blankets, and more.

PLEASE VISIT OUR SHOP PAGE FOR STORE LINKS



>>> COMING UP

- HWI Community Day is coming up on Saturday, October 28. Ten games between HWI sister teams
 are scheduled to take place during the day. HWI Merchandise will be for sale and some community
 groups will be present. We will need the help of a few adult volunteers, and some older tween/teen
 players during the day. Please let us know if you can help or have HWI players who would like
 volunteer hours for school. Email vp-admin@hockeywestisland.org
- Tournament Sponsorship Opportunities If you are a business owner, work at a company, or know
 of someone who may be interested in increasing their business and exposure, we are looking for
 sponsors for our spring HWI Tournament. Please contact our VP-Admin at:
 hwi-vpadmin@hockeywestisland.org. We encourage all members to support our generous sponsors.

>>> MONTREAL CANADIENS

The Montreal Canadiens youth hockey promotion is back up and running for the 2023-2024 season, with tickets starting at \$32 for kids and \$63 for adults. For every ticket purchased using the HWI link, the Canadiens will be giving back \$3 to the association.



>>> DON'T FORGET. THESE ARE CHILDREN

- IT'S A GAME
- THE REFEREES ARE HUMAN
- THE COACHES ARE VOLUNTEERS
- THIS IS AN AMATEUR LEAGUE

Have a great season!