

DECEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER



THERE ARE ONLY A FEW WEEKS LEFT OF 2023, BUT WE'VE GOT TONS HAPPENING RIGHT THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS!

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR POP-UP SHOP

Looking for an item for your favorite hockey player, or yourself? Come see us at Bob-Birnie Arena on <u>Saturday, December 9th between 9am and 2pm</u>. This will be your last chance before Christmas to purchase HWI hats, toques, hoodies, Ts, and more. Some of our teams will also being holding fundraisers and selling various items so bring your monies!



CASH ONLY PLEASE



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

These clinics have specific themes to help develop our young players in a challenging and fun environment.

Registration for Holiday player clinics will open at <u>8pm on Monday, December 11th</u>

FIND THE DETAILS AND REGISTRATION **LINKS HERE: CLICK HERE**

CLINIC for FORWARDS U11 & U13 players Wednesday December 27th 9am-10am

CLINIC for DEFENCE U11 & U13 players Wednesday December 27th 10am-11am

STICKHANDLING CLINIC <u>U9 players</u> only Wednesday December 27th 11am-noon

CLINIC for FORWARDS

U15 & U18 players Wednesday January 3rd 9am-10am

CLINIC for DEFENCE U15 & U18 players Wednesday January 3rd 10am-11am

SKATING CLINIC U7 & U9 players Wednesday January 3rd 11am-noon



January to March session

SEASON CLINICS

U9 & U11 TUESDAYS 4:30-5:30

U9 & U11 5:30-6:30

U13-U18 WEDNESDAYS WEDNESDAYS 6:30-7:30

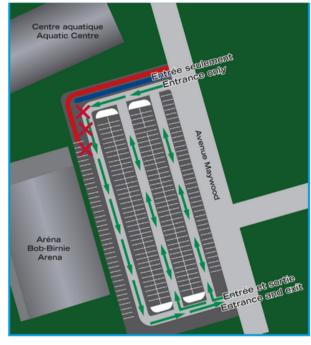
Registration for these clinics will open at 11am on Friday, December 15th

Details and registration links

CLICK HERE

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- HWI is seeking tournament sponsors for its 2024 "NAP" tournament taking place from March 27 to April 7. We will be hosting 76 teams and almost 1000 players from across Montreal and beyond. This is a vital fundrasing event for the association and we are looking for auction items such as restaurant vouchers or gift cards for activities and attractions as well as monetary sponsors. Do you own a business or know someone else who would like to contribute? Are you able to help contact sponsors? Please reach out to Christine at hwi-vpadmin@hockeywestisland.org if you would like to contribute to our event.
- Community helping the community. Thanks to everyone who donated non-perishables during our food drive with the Pointe-Claire Oldtimers on October 28th. We collected more than 1200kg of food for the West Island Mission!
- Those wishing to sell, buy, or give away used hockey equipment can join the HWI Facebook group: <u>HWI Used Equipment Group</u> Simply upload (clear) photos, add a description, location, and your 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.



Zone pour les véhicules d'urgence Zone for emergency vehicle Débarcadère Drop-off zone







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.

>>> NEWS FROM OUR PARTNER CITIES

- Please note that there will be a swim meet taking place at the Pointe-Claire Aquatic Centre between December 7th and December 10th inclusively. The parking lot will be busier than usual on these days so give yourself more time to arrive and park if you are visiting Bob-Birnie Arena.
- If you are looking for more ways to stay active this winter, Pointe-Claire's Olive-Urquhart Sports Centre offers a wide assortment of activities and classes for all ages. Drop-in daily rates and memberships are both available! Visit <u>OLIVE-URQUHART SPORTS CENTRE</u>



• The Dorval Holiday Market is taking place from December 1 to 17 in Dorval Village (intersection of Tulip and Dawson Avenues).Visit local vendors, experience a festive atmosphere, enjoy tasty snacks, and get some of your shopping done. Visit <u>HERE</u> to see the full schedule of activities.

>>> 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 give back \$3 to the association.







FROM EVERYONE AT HOCKEY WEST ISLAND, WE WISH ALL OF OUR PLAYERS AND FAMILIES A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON!