

THE PROVINCIAL "B" TOURNAMENT

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A weekend of action and fun in Ringette took place at the Port Coquitlam Rec Centre on February 11, 12 and 13th, 1983. A total of forty teams and over six hundred and fifty girls participated in sixty-three games during the B.C. "B" Championships.

Opening ceremonies which took place on Saturday morning were indeed a sight to see and hear with all teams on the ice chanting their team cheers. A special welcome was given to all by Mayor Len Traboulay, Janna Taylor (PoCo Parks and Recreation head), Shirley Armillotta (Pres. of PoCo Triple "A" Ass'n) and Carol Hedenberg. Port Coquitlam Ringette President, Donna Bird presented Bev Felske with a plaque commemorating her years of work in the sport, while Joan Fulton, an original member of PoCo Ringette and the tournament organizer, was presented with flowers by a member of the Bunnies Division.

RESULTS

Bunnies (5-7 year olds)

Teams from Port Coquitlam, Aldergrove, and the North Shore Winter Club took part. They treated the fans to a great performance that will be long remembered. All these young stars were presented with trophies at the closing ceremonies and fans are looking forward to watching their progress in the coming years.

Petites

There were fourteen teams playing for a chance to be number one in this division. Port Coquitlam Royal Purple lost the semi-finals to the North Shore Hot Shots 9-7 with the Hot Shots winning the championship by defeating Langley Kinsmen 10-7 in the final. Langley later was named as the winner of the Petite Sportsgalship Trophy.

Tweens

A total of eight teams entered this division with fierce rivalry between the three Port Coquitlam teams adding to the excitement. The semi-finals saw PoCo Legionettes in a rematch with a strong North West Van team. The Legionettes won the shootout 14-13 in overtime. The final on Sunday saw the undefeated PoCo Kinettes face the PoCo Legionettes with the Kinettes winning 7-2. PoCo Cablevision won the Tween Sportsgalship Award, an honour which is voted on by all opposing teams.

Jr. Belle

North West Vancouver, Port Coquitlam, Langley and Prince George competed in this round-robin section. The Jr. Belle final saw North West Van defeat Langley 6-5 in a real thriller. Prince George was voted as winner of the Jr. Belle Sportsgalship Trophy.

Belle

Teams from Aldergrove, Langley, North-West Vancouver, Port Coquitlam and Prince George competed in this division. The semi-finals were between PoCo's Shopper's Drug Mart and North-West Van with the North West Van team defeating PoCo 10-7. The final on Sunday saw North-West Vancouver edge out Aldergrove 4-3. North West Vancouver also won the Sportsgalship Award.

All awards for the various divisions were presented to the winners at the conclusion of the tournament, with B.C. Ringette president, Keith Corney acting as master of ceremonies.