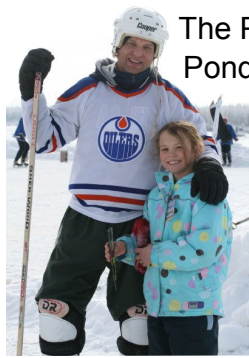


THE BATTLE OF ALBERTA 2010 - PLCC Pond Hockey Challenge Roundup



The Pine Lake Pond Hockey Challenge has been steadily gaining steam since its inception in 2008.

This year's tourney took place on February 20th. We had another record-breaker with 75 players participating on 15 teams in the round robin tournament. We had an additional 75 family, friends, volunteers



and fans for a total of 150 in attendance.

The "A" final came down to another Calgary vs. Edmonton match between the Edmonton Oil Wings and the Calgary Excellence. A hard fought battle that ended in sudden-death



overtime, with the Excellence winning.

The "B" final also came down

to a North vs. South contest between Clyde's "Dragons" and Calgary's "Blues", with the Dragons coming out on top, pulling out another sudden-death overtime win to finish out the day.



The Pond Hockey Tournament has been a good reminder that it takes a team of people to put together a positive event.

We were very grateful for everyone who so graciously volunteered their time to help make the day a success, from Board members who helped direct traffic, and put food together in



the kitchen, to the young people who came and tended the firepit, and looked after the concession table. Brandon and his family did a fabulous job of pulling together the food, and where would we have been without Jessica who helped us revamp the schedule to keep the day running smooth.



It was nice to see a good number of families take advantage of the pleasure rink and the comfortable weather, and get outside during the day.

One thing that consistently strikes us is the number of teams that come out with family members;



fathers and sons or daughters, or families who bring friends out to play together on a team. We even had a mom with her kids play as a team this year.

For us, this is what it is all about, a day to enjoy with family and friends, playing that great Canadian game we love to play in God's great outdoors.



Overall, it was another terrific day, a real blessing.

- Janice Berard