

The Shoreline Tid-Bits Journal

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Landing Strong receives \$772,000 over 3 years

Landing Strong, a non-profit organization located in Windsor, NS has been awarded a non-repayable contribution of \$722,000 over three years to develop a workplace reintegration pilot program to transition skilled veterans and first responders into civilian careers in manufacturing and mining, two of the region's key industries

Landing Strong is dedicated to promoting resilience and assisting recovery from PTSD and Operational Stress Injuries for military members, veterans, first responders, and those who love and support them.

The funding was announced on November 10th by Kody Blois, Member of Parliament for Kings - Hants, on behalf of the Honourable Mélanie Joly, Minister of Economic Development and Official Languages, announced.

This funding will help 100 veterans and first responders transition to meaningful careers and employment in their life after service. Program participants will benefit from personalized support in the classroom and in the workplace. Participating businesses will help design the program and receive ongoing support to ensure a smooth transition for the skilled veterans and first responders.

Further information about Landing Strong can be found at www.LandingStrong.com or 902-472-2972.

Investments to Improve Accessibility

The province is committed to removing barriers for persons with disabilities with an investment of \$960,000 in 88 projects through Community ACCESS-Ability grants to improve accessibility in buildings and public spaces.

No grants were awarded to Colchester organizations, but three \$10,000 grants were awarded to locations in Cumberland County including: The Sunset Community Construct accessible washrooms in the Learning Centre Pugwash; Town of Oxford Trail resurfacing to improve accessibility and River Hebert/Joggins Area Development Association to upgrade entrance ramp,

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BEARCAT BANTER Jump Start

Nov. 16, 2020

By Gerry Hale

The Truro Bearcats got what they needed, a timely win.

The win over the visiting South Shore Lumberjacks ended a skid which stretched into the previous week.

In Amherst, the Bearcats were down four goals before their push back began. They picked up three in the final period, ending the game with a respectable score.

The next night, in Pictou County, they again chased the game from the outset. A goal in the dying seconds of the final frame made the losing score a more respectable 4 - 2 verdict.

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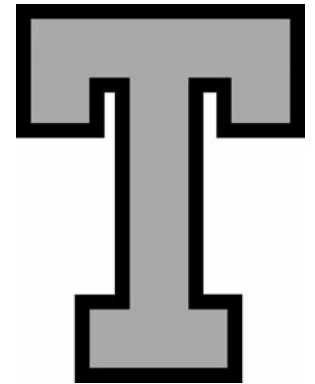
Saturday, the Bearcats took a sizable lead into the third. They almost squandered it but managed to gain the decision.

When goals are scored is important. Playing from behind is always challenging and closing the gaps unpredictable.

For sure, good starts are essential to enhance success. Playing to the finish is right up there with it.

Over the three games, it's worthy to mention the play of rookies. Often they need time to adjust. This crop has stepped right up — not just with the Bearcats.

Special team play always re-



quires work. Over the week, Truro's Power Play was good on two of eleven chances.

The Penalty kill was solid, permitting two goals on fourteen chances; however, the Bearcats picked up a pair of short-handed goals.

Injury comes with the territory in physical junior hockey. Depth allows the team to compensate.

Bearcat rookie goalie, Fredric Plourde, has seen more action than he might have anticipated. He entered the November 7th game late in the second period and has played every minute since.

The 18 year-old from St. Leonard, NB, clearly has gotten his feet wet and earning his junior stripes. You have to be ready to take advantage of opportunity.

Remember, the Annual Teddy Bear Toss is set for Sat-

urday, November 28th. When entering the rink, Teddy Bears will be received by awaiting Bible Hill Kinsmen. Let's get behind this.

Truro hits the road Sunday for Pictou County to face the Crushers (7:00). The Bearcats next home games are scheduled for November 27th (vs. Amherst) and November 28th (vs. Pictou County).

Bearcat Bytes

By Gerry Hale

Bearcat-of-the-Week honours went to forward, Trey Sturge. He picked up two goals and three assists over the last three games, earning Third Star in Amherst and First Star in Truro. He currently leads the team in scoring and is one of three rookie forwards making an impact with the Bearcats.

Sturge came up through the Nova Junior X-men Major Bantam Program before spending two seasons of U-18 hockey, first with the Cape Breton Tradesmen, then with the Sydney Mitsubishi Rush, last year scoring at a point-a-game rate. He was Truro's First Round pick in the 2020 draft, as well as being selected by the Shawinigan Cataractes. His adjustment to the Junior level has been impressive.

EVENTS

The Teddy Bear Toss is good to go on Saturday, November 28th. Fans can place Teddy Bears in Bins when entering the arena. Covid 19 restrictions prevent the customary "toss".



Trey Sturge

Center, 6'2", 173 lbs., 17 years old, born in Sydney, NS.

CJHL Announces Standing Committees for 2020-21 Campaign

Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020

CALGARY, Alta. — The Canadian Junior Hockey League (CJHL) has announced the formation of a number of committees for the 2020-21 season, to assist in the overall operation of the CJHL as well as its 10-member leagues and their 135 junior A clubs nationally.

Guiding the CJHL for the 2020-21 campaign will be Chair of the Board Kevin Abrams (CCHL), along with the executive committee of Ryan Bartoshyk (AJHL), Robert Mazzuca (NOJHL) and Bill Chow (SJHL).

Also serving on the CJHL Board are the remaining, CJHL member league Commissioners and Presidents: Chris Hebb (BCHL); Kevin Saurette (MJHL); Darrin Nicholas (SIJHL); Marty Savoy (OJHL); Kevin Figsby (LHJAAAQ) and Steve Dykeman (MHL).

In all, 12 separate committees have been formed to aid in formulating various initiatives, programs, and plans for the overall day-to-day operation of the CJHL.

This includes working closely with Hockey Canada and the National Hockey League in furthering its development, relationship, and partnership with both organizations, as well as junior programs throughout Canada.

The Committees formed, will focus on key areas of operation within the CJHL, including competition, player safety, diversity, and educational programs, along with its national and regional events such as the CJHL Prospects Game, Fred Page Cup, Dudley-Hewitt Cup, ANAVET Cup, and the Doyle Cup.

There will also be additional committees working on CJHL awards and properties as well as finance, communications, special projects, and interests.

The overall goal of all these respective committees is to help further develop and grow the CJHL nationally while expanding its role in the many facets of the game, both on and off the ice to better the experience for our athletes.

CJHL president Brent Ladds offered: "At the end of the day, we are hockey people, and bringing in subject experts, to assist with key areas of our programming, will assist in achieving our most important goal, which is to create a more productive environment for our players, both on and off the ice. I was extremely impressed with the enthusiasm shown by the people we reached out to, to lend their expertise."

Assisting the CJHL in their initiative will be individuals known within the communications, education, and social issues field. They

include:

- Jermain Franklin, (TSN) Diversity Consultant
- Michael Hirshfeld, (NHLCA) Diversity Consultant
- Paul Carson, (Hockey Canada) Player Education Consultant
- Johnathan Caleof, (U Ottawa) Player Education Consultant
- Vern Stenlund, (U Windsor) Player Education Consultant
- Tom Renney, (Hockey Canada) Coaches Code of Conduct
- Jeff Beck, (Hockey Canada) Events and Properties
- Steve McAllister, (HipCheck Media) Media and Communications Strategies
- Charla Flett, (AJHL) Media and Communications Strategies

In addition, the Player Safety Committee, under the chairmanship, of former NHL Official and current CJHL director of officiating, Brad Lazarowich, will oversee player safety initiatives, while building and maintaining an ongoing introspective web source for commissioners and directors of officiating, to access current information and trends on rule changes and disciplinary undertakings as well as assist in-game safety and management.

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