



Dear Ringette Player,

We invite you to tryout for Ringette Calgary's AA program for the upcoming 2010/2011 season. Please fill out the attached form and return it by **Friday, August 20, 2010** to Ringette Calgary along with your cheque for \$60.00. The late registration fee is \$75.00.

This invitation applies to players eligible at the U14(Tween) level and above.

**However you must also register** in your quadrant if you want to ensure a spot for your daughter in the event your daughter is not successful in being drafted to an AA team? **Tryout information for the double-carded U12 (Petite AA program ages 10 and 11) will be available later in the fall through your Quadrant.**

All players must register for their proper age division.

Tryouts will begin the first week of Sept, 2010

Final selections will be made by October 1, 2010

Participants will be given a minimum of three ice times to demonstrate their ringette abilities, commitment, attitude and potential for improvement. \*\*\*All players (including returnees) must earn their places\*\*

For the 2010/11 season we plan on forming 2 - U14(Tween) teams, 2 - U16(Junior), 1 or 2 U19(Belle) (numbers dependent) and 1 - +18(Open) team.

### **General Information on Calgary's AA Ringette Program**

AA policies require U14(Tween) to be primarily developmental, with the maximum number of players being given a fair opportunity to play. The intent is to expose as many players as possible to a higher level of competition while still concentrating on skill development. At the U16(Junior) level and above, the goal of the program is geared toward forming teams capable of challenging for Provincial and National titles.

Last season, Calgary AA teams were successful in the many tournaments they attended throughout Canada. Highlights include:

(U12)Petite AA **Fasta**: Bronze at Provincials.

(U12)Petite AA **Valta** : Gold at Lacombe, Gold at the Christmas Classic, Silver at Provincials.

(U14)Tween AA **Conquest**: Bronze at Lower Mainland, Bronze at Provincials.

(U14)Tween AA **iTeam**: Silver in Saskatoon, Bronze in Woods, Gold in Lower Mainland, Gold at Provincials.

(U16)Junior AA **Forte**: Silver in Saskatoon, Gold at Woods, Silver at Esso Golden Ring, Silver at Provincials

(U16)Junior AA **Prime**: Silver at Lacombe,Gold at Esso Golden Ring,Bronze at Provincials.

(U19)Belle AA Gold at Saskatoon, Gold at Esso Golden Ring, Gold at Regina and Gold at Provincials. Silver at Nationals

Open AA **RATH**: attended the World Club Championships 2008/09. 4<sup>th</sup> at Nationals

## Specifics on Calgary's AA Ringette Program

- Each team attends a minimum of two in province tournaments (Wood's in Edmonton, Golden Ring) and Provincials. Most teams attend three out of province tournaments (Saskatoon, Regina, Winnipeg, Ottawa or southern Ontario).  
Next year's AA Provincials will be held early **March 2011, in (TBD)**.  
The Western Canadian Championships will be held March 23-27, 2011 in Sherwood Park .  
The Canadian Ringette Championships will be held in Cambridge, Ont March 27-April 2, 2011.
- Attendance at practices, league games, tournaments, off ice fitness, and mental training sessions is **mandatory**. Expect 3-4 ice times/week and 1-3 off-ice fitness or mental training sessions/week. You must decide before committing to the team that your personal time and other commitments will allow you to make the necessary commitment to play AA Ringette.
- Parent involvement is essential and includes:
- Each team providing 3 parents to attend monthly Calgary AA Ringette meetings.
- Each team providing a representative to Esso Golden Ring Tournament Organizing Committee.
- Each team will provide 2 people to the AA Provincials Committee when in Calgary
- Each team providing workers for Casinos for AA and Ringette Calgary.
- Each team is responsible for fund raising and will host a Silent Auction, Oct 30, 2010 U14(Tween) and Oct 23, 2010 (U16 Junior, U19 Belle and +18 Open).
- Each team helps to organize the year end banquet.
- Each team is self funded. Costs per player depend on the number of tournaments, ice times and other activities with costs being reduced by the amount of fund raising.

**If you have questions please call Julie Culkin - AA Registrar, 279-6025.**