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Northern Subway Selects forward Olivia Marks, from left, with line mates Brooke Thomson and Sara Stewart during a recent practice. (Goodwin photo)

Selects eye Atlantic U-18 female hockey honours

By Steve Goodwin For The Advocate

The Northern Subway Selects are looking forward to doing well at the 2022 Atlantic Under-18 Female Hockey Championship.

The Selects captured the Nova Scotia Major Female U-18 Hockey League championship and the right to represent the province at the event from Thursday through Sunday in Tyne Valley, P.E.I.

They defeated the host Bussey Auto Brokers Penguins, 6-0, on April 8 after winning their two home games in Pictou to sweep the best-of-five final series in three straight games.

The forward line of Sara Stewart, Olivia Marks and Brooke Thomson provide potent offence and puck control, but Selects' head coach Craig Clarke has stated this season's team is talented and deep from the net out.

"We definitely have a team that's deep and balanced," he said. "Every forward line has scored big, timely goals for us. We have really strong goaltending and defence, and are very responsible up front. From the goalie out, they pride themselves in keeping the puck out of our end. They dedicate themselves to that. Sometimes, you can't score seven goals. You need to grind it out in 3-2 and 2-1 games." Clarke said he and the team are glad to be playing in the championship.

"It's a rare honour to get to do that," he said. "These girls, some of them have been there before and some haven't, but they appreciate what an honour it is to get to do it."

The Selects practised twice this week during final preparations for the tournament. He said the team is healthy and mentally ready for the task ahead.

"We've had some really good practices," he said. "They're really working hard and clicking well. They're in really good spirits and excited for the opportunity."

The Selects leave Thursday morning for their first game at 4 p.m. that day against the entry from Newfoundland and Labrador.

"They're a bit of an unknown quantity," he said. "We've viewed from film but no one has seen their teams since 2019 when COVID wiped out the Atlantics. We'll just have to be prepared."

The Selects play in the Maritime League that includes New Brunswick's entry from Fredericton at 9 a.m. Saturday. Their other games are against the host Western Wind at 1 p.m. Friday and the Central Slam at 3 p.m. Saturdav. "We played Fredericton three or four times early in the season," he said. "We played the Island teams in tournaments so we're more familiar with them."

Kori Cheverie embarks on new hockey journey

By Steve Goodwin For The Advocate

Making history is becoming a trend for Kori Cheverie.

The New Glasgow native and former captain of the Saint Mary's women's hockey team will be an assistant coach for Hockey Canada's Under-18 male team when it contests the world championship in Landshut, Germany. She is the first woman to serve as a coach with one of Canada's men's national teams. She previously broke new ground when she was named an assistant coach of the Ryerson University Rams men's hockey team.

Joining the U-18 hockey team underscores how playing hockey is fading farther from view and coaching hockey continues as Cheverie's vocation.

"I'm looking to a new staff and a new program," she said. "That's my philosophy: be open to new ideas and be the best you can be."

The tournament begins on April 21 and ends on May 1. Canada's team is in a division that also includes the U.S., Czech Republic and Germany.

Cheverie was the Rams' assistant coach for five seasons, from 2016-21. She won a gold medal as an assistant coach with Canada's Women's Olympic Team at the 2022 Olympic Winter Games. She also won a gold medal as an assistant coach with Canada's National Women's Under-18 Team at the



Kori Cheverie stands behind the players' bench during a previous women's Under-18 hockey game. Cheverie is an assistant coach with the Hockey Canada Under-18 men's hockey team at the world U-18 championship that begins this week in Germany. (Photo by Matthew Murnaghan/Hockey Canada)

2019 IIHF U-18 Women's World Championship, and was an assistant coach with Canada's National Women's Team for the Rivalry Series in February 2020.

She won a gold medal as head coach of Team Ontario Red at the 2019 National Women's Under-18 Championship.

Cheverie was home for some time since returning from China. She will keep busy once she returns to Canada on May 2 by joining the selection camp for Canada's U-18 women's team in Calgary before its world championship in June in Madison, Wisconsin.

"They haven't had a women's world championship in two years," she said. "It will be awesome to compete at that level and show their talent."

Cheverie's schedule has not dimmed the luster of the women's Olympic gold medal performance that included outlasting the U.S. 3-2 in regulation time during their final showdown in February. Canada's win reversed its shootout loss to the Americans at the 2018 Winter Games in South Korea.

"It was a dream come true, something we worked hard for" she said. "The girls wanted redemption for 2018."

She said the team projected a sense of resolve that it was not going to be denied.

"This was an extremely confident group," she said. "This was a team that gelled on the ice and off the ice as well. We knew that we prepared the right way. It was a special group. It seemed to all come together in the final game when we needed it most. It's certainly one of the most special teams that I have ever been a part of or that I've ever seen."

Cheverie heaped praise on her fellow staff members, including head coach Troy Ryan.

"It's amazing working with Troy," she said. "He believes in his staff and his players. It (was) a very healthy environment and culture."

While in Nova Scotia, Cheverie had the opportunity to watch the recent U-Sports men's hockey championship hosted by the Acadia Axemen in Wolfville. The eight team draw included the Rams as a first-time entry.

"It was awesome watching the Rams take a good step for the program," she said.

The Rams fared well by upsetting the perennial champions from the University of New Brunswick but lost to the eventual champions from the University of Quebec, Trois-Rivieres.

That loss sent the Rams to the bronze medal match, which they lost, 3-2, in overtime to the St. Francis Xavier X-Men.

"The X-Men were a good team, too. It was a fast, chippy game, and the goaltending was great on both sides."

Bombers oust Wildcats in U-15 hockey series

The Pictou County Wearwell Bombers' playoff quest in Major Under-15 hockey continues.

The Bombers defeated the Kings Mutual Valley Wildcats, 8-1, on Good Friday at the Pictou County Wellness Centre to win their best-of-three series in straight games.

Four different players scored a pair of goals – Lane Sim, Liam Chris Jorden. Sim and Carter each added two assists.

The Bombers dominated the game, while outshooting the Wildcats, 31-10. Jake Thorne recorded the win in goal. Goals by Sim and Jorden put

the Bombers ahead, 2-0, after the first period. Carter and MacEachern scored to make it

Carter, Kaleb MacEachern and 4-0 before the Wildcats registered their lone goal.

Carter scored to make it 5-1, while Jorden, Sim and MacEachern added unanswered goals in the third period.

The Bombers are preparing for a provincial championship tournament at the Colchester Legion Stadium in Truro.

Games begin Thursday, with

the Bombers first testing the Joneljim Cougars from Cape Breton at 2 p.m.

The Bombers will test the Pro Hockey Life Harbour Storm from Cole Harbour at 8 a.m. and the host Truro Bearcats at 2 p.m. Friday.

The Bombers will also meet the Halifax Wolverines at 10 a.m. Saturday.

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The Atlantic champion will advance to the national championship in Prince Albert, Sask.

OBITUARIES



BRUBACHER, Mae (née MacLanders), September 7, 1954 - April 12, 2022 - Mae Brubacher, age 67, Pictou County, passed away from a stroke on April 12, 2022. Mae is survived by her devoted husband Ward Brubacher, her children: Wally (Amanda) Lindsay, Barbie (Merl Riehl) Lindsay, Chris (Amanda) Brubacher, Ben (Julie Blais) Brubacher, Amber (Ashlee) Manning, Brooke (Adrian) Langdon and Danielle (Jeremy Leclair) Brubacher, her grandchildren: Austin, Noah, Lilly, Ainsley, Owen, Ryan,

Amelia, Jaxon, Madison, Mya, Garrett, Mitchell, Elam, Autumn, Krystal and Braeanna, and her siblings: Toni (Jim) Giannakouras, Gail MacLanders, Margaret-Ann Cooke, Brian (Bree) Glover, Kathleen (Dennis) Williams, Terry (Elaine Dozzi) Glover and Eileen (Rob) Mitchell. Mae and Ward were a shining example of true love. They were inseparable whether it was making maple syrup, going for walks, cross country skiing, skating with the grandkids, hiking in to see waterfalls across the province, foraging for mushrooms and fiddleheads or working side by side. They had their own business, Discover Forest Landscaping, which they ran together for over 20 years until retirement. Music was a huge part of Mae and Ward's life. She loved hearing Ward sing and play guitar and she would join in with her egg shakers. Mae was a kid at heart and got so much joy from spending time with her numerous grandchildren. Family was very important to Mae and her full family stretches far and wide as she considered everyone in her life to be a part of her family. Mae loved personal, homemade gifts and would make her friends and family crocheted items, such as hats, mitts, stuffed animals, sweaters, blankets, as well as homemade chocolates. She was an avid photographer and made sure every outing, celebration and visit was documented. Mae loved gardening and would often visit garden centers with her best friend Ali to find new flowers for her garden. Mae was also known to dig up plants from the side of the road or take a piece of a tree she passed on the street to try and grow at home. Mae was creating her own labyrinth with various trees, shrubs and flowers. Mae loved adventure and was always looking for some fun, such as going zip lining, hot air ballooning or tidal bore rafting. Thanks to the Scotsburn Fire Department for their quick response and assistance to EHS, and thanks to the amazing nurses at the Halifax Infirmary for the care they provided to Mae and for the support and compassion they provided to her husband and family so they could be by her side. In lieu of flowers, donations of seeds, materials, money, etc. may be made to Scotsburn Community Food Forest, a project Mae was very passionate about. Please send to the Scotsburn Recreation (email: scotsburnrec@hotmail.com, or mail: 4136 Scotsburn Rd, Scotsburn, NS, B0K 1R0). Please note that your donation is in memory of Mae. "A limb has fallen from the family tree that says grieve not for me, remember the best times, the laughter, the song, the good life I lived while I was strong." There will be a Celebration of Life for Mae sometime in the summer of 2022. The family will share the details on Mae's Facebook page once they are finalized.



MAJORS EARN ACCOLADES

Two members of the Pictou **County Weeks Majors Under-**18 received awards for the 2021-22 season. Lane Lochead, left, earned the John Hanna Trophy for most sportsmanlike player, while Clary Melanson was named team volunteer of the year.

(Goodwin photo)

MANAGING YOUR MONEY

Don't let your kids squander their inheritance









administer those assets, and who the trustee should be. Mercer, CFP



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Inheritances tend to dwindle significantly in the first few years of someone receiving one, fortunately, there are ways to protect your life savings from being squandered. Put your wishes in a will Create a clearly defined will, listing who gets what assets, if a trust should be set up to help

Over the next several decades, it's estimated that Baby Boomers

will pass down \$30 trillion in assets to future generations*. If

you shudder to think what your beloved kids may do with the

money you worked so hard to build, you're not alone.

Trust the testamentary trust The best way to maintain control over your assets in death is to specify in your will that you want a discretionary testamentary trust created. The trustee, appointed in your will - typically a responsible family member -- would then decide when the beneficiary should receive assets from the trust.

Explore an annuity If there's no obvious trustee to oversee a testamentary trust, then you can instruct the executor of your estate to purchase an annuity for beneficiaries. The executor would take a lump sum of money from the estate and purchase

that investment. The annuity's payments would then go to the child. This option isn't as flexible as a trust and shouldn't be your first choice, but it can come in handy if you can't choose a trustee or if you think the trustee won't commit to overseeing a trust for an extended period of time.

Give gifts while you're still alive Another way to maintain control is to parcel out money while you're still alive. Not only can it be rewarding to see your children enjoy their inheritance, but you can control who gets what when. There are risks to this approach including giving out too much money and then not being able to cover your own living expenses.

Be sure to talk to your kids about your will, your estate plan and

bring them into the conversation with your professional advisor.

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Teach your children about money The best line of defence might have nothing to do with wills or trusts at all – if you teach your kids from an early age how to be responsible with money,

