



December Rustler Spotlights



“H” Rustler of the Month - Easton Janes, U9 C4

Easton works extremely hard on the ice. He is an excellent teammate both on and off the ice. Easton has improved significantly in the recent month and his hard work and dedication does not go unnoticed.



“C” Rustler of the Month - Jackson Holland, U15 C2

Jackson is the captain of his team and is a leader on and off the ice. He works hard every shift and sets the tone for his team by never taking a shift “off”. He competes at a high level and relishes the competition of playing against the opponents’ best players. He often leaves the ice with a smile on his face and is encouraging to his teammates. In addition to playing, Jackson officiates U13 games and below in a professional manner and does a great job in that role.



“A” Rustler of the Month - Linden Hartford, U11 A1

Recently the U11A1 team played Burnaby Winter Club, where Linden faced 61 shots and stopped 55 of them. He played incredibly! The game before he played Semiahmoo and had 37 shots. His intense level of play kept his team in both games. Linden always has a smile no matter what the score is.



Coach Spotlight - Desmond Vernon, U15 C6

Desmond runs great practices and constantly gives his players direct feedback during the game, whether it was a good shift or something they need to work on. The players find this real-time feedback so helpful and can work on it their next shift out. During practices he makes sure everyone is moving and working hard.

Rustlers in the Community

Our Rustlers are often out doing great things in our community, so we are shifting this spotlight away from highlighting one individual or team, and toward illustrating all the many great engagement activities we are aware of! If your team is out doing positive things with our community please send a post to socials@ridgemeanowshockey.com or tagging us in your social media posts so we can celebrate together. December was full of great Rustler Spirit!

- We saw lots of Rustlers out **Salvation Army Kettle Campaign** by getting out and ringing those bells. Thank you to U7C2, U11A3, U11A4, U13C5, U13C6 and U13C7 for sharing photos of their crews out in all sorts of weather.
- The U18 A1 team has made a tradition out of rolling up their sleeves and helping the Salvation Army prepare and serve their **Annual Community Christmas Dinner**.
- Several of the U18 A1 players jumped at the opportunity to participate in leading the road hockey station at the **Pitt Meadows Community Christmas event**. It just goes to show that they are still kids at heart!
- Desmond Colgan and buddies for getting out and shoveling driveways during the snowstorm and raising money to support **BC Children's Hospital**.
- To the many, many Rustlers who helped out **Toys for Tots** by catapulting a stuffie over the boards during the Dec 3 Teddy Bear Toss at the Abbotsford Canucks game (which was also the Rustlers Association Night!).



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rustlarnation U13C6 Rustlers volunteering for The Salvation Army Kettles! #rustlerpride @tsaridgemeanowshockey



Liked by adodger02 and others
rustlarnation Desmond Colgan and his neighborhood friends teamed up to shovel the neighborhood driveways for donations to BC Children's hospital.



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rustlarnation Jameson Brunt (left) and Max Oliver from U7C2 collecting donations for the Salvation Army Kettle drive! @TSARidgemeanowshockey #rustlerpride



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rustlarnation Players from our U11A3 and U13C7 teams ringing the kettlebells for the Salvation Army. #rustlersgiveback



Liked by scottschneider20 and others
rustlarnation A few players from our U18 A1 team braved the cold tonight to share their love of hockey with some kids at the Pitt Meadows Christmas event road hockey game. #rustlerpride



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Volunteer Shoutouts

Just like with community engagement, it is hard to narrow down all of the volunteering efforts to one individual or group each month. The truth is that our hockey season would not be possible without the tremendous contributions of members who go above and beyond to organize and conduct events. December had three major events that we would like to showcase.

Rustler Association Night at Abbotsford Canucks - A small and mighty team of four worked hard to raise over \$5300 for Rustlers that evening - a record night! Thank you Tenisha Soon Psajd, Angela Finch, Amanda Dodgson and Brielle Olejnik for your hours of work, talents and enthusiasm!

Winter Round Up Tournament from December 27-29 hosted 28 teams from U8C, U9C and U11C competing. Thank you to the committee for putting in long hours to make it all run smoothly: Carrie Beaune, Garrett Sall, Dana Asher, Dalyce Larsen, Julee Bassetto, Donna Graffi-Smith, Layna Brown, Jen Portman, Lisa Bennett, Monique Berichon, Erin Rugani, Amanda Nyberg and Kristine Balakrishnan.

Hometown Heroes Tournament from December 29-Jan 1 hosted 20 teams from U13A and U15A divisions. We saw several individuals emerge as leaders who took the reins to make sure all the little tasks got done. AND they did it with smiles! Thank you to Susan Caldwell, Chris Poblete, Kevin Hogg, Fran Gray, Sam Cavan, Michelle Bond, Matt Leahy, Kim Boucher, Tina Cipplaka, Layna Brown, Romina Caldovina, Michelle Kinley, Wes Mann and Kelly Rietveld.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR WINNERS!

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