

2009

The World's Oldest Ice Hockey Rivalry...

goth Annual Varsity Match Oxford vs Cambridge

March 7, 2009 – 4:30pm (Men's) Milton Keynes Planet Ice March 8, 2009 – 6:30pm (Women's) Peterborough Planet Ice 1885



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Schedule of Events

90th Men's Varsity Match, March 7, 2009 Cambridge Light Blues vs. Oxford Dark Blues Face-off 4.30PM Planet Ice, Milton Keynes

Ceremonial puck-drop by

Robert Fry - Minister Counsellor (Political Affairs and Public Diplomacy), High Commission of Canada

Cambridge Eskies vs. Oxford Vikings

Face-off 6:30PM Planet Ice, Milton Keynes

Women's Varsity Match, March 8, 2009

Cambridge Women Light Blues vs. Oxford Women Dark Blues

Face-off 6.30PM Planet Ice, Peterborough

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Ice Hockey Clubs

Cambridge University Ice Hockey Club (Men's) - http://www.societies.cam.ac.uk/cuihc/ Cambridge University Ice Hockey Club (Women's) - http://www.srcf.ucam.org/~cuwihc/

Oxford University Ice Hockey Club (Men's) - http://users.ox.ac.uk/~ouihc/history.html
Oxford University Ice Hockey Club (Women's) - http://www.ouihc.org/home/womens/

CUIHC Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
5	Craggs, Chris	F	5′9″	150	Flaurling, Tirol, Austria
7	Coady, John	F	5'10"	165	Prince Edward Island, Canada
8	Jenks, Henry	F	6′1″	195	Hometown Cambridge, UK/Boulder, CO USA
10	Morelli, Peter	F	5′9″	160	Vancouver, BC, Canada
11	Courtright, Graham	D	6'3"	220	Toronto, Ontario, Canada
14	Musselman, Kevin (C)	F/D	5′7″	145	Carleton Place, Ontario, Canada
15	Paterson, Darryl	F	5′7″	145	Toronto, Ontario, Canada
16	St-Pierre, Luc	D	5'8"	155	Acton Vale, Quebec, Canada
17	Rooze, Jonas	D	6'3"	190	Boortmeerbeek, Belgium
24	Randlett, Owen	F	6'0"	185	Cornwall, Ontario, Canada
25	Camacho-Fielding, Adrian	F	5'6"	141	Brussels, Belgium
26	Wong, Hang Kit	F	6'1"	155	Toronto, Ontario, Canada
29	Novotny, Wes	D	6'0"	176	La Salle, Manitoba, Canada
33	Smith, Cole	F	5'8"	155	St. Louis, Missouri, USA
35	Mazurek, Carl	G	5'11"	150	Toronto, Ontario, Canada
42	Jeffries, Sean	F	6'0"	180	Palo Alto, California, USA
41	Bernier, Philippe	F	6'0"	155	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
53	Park, Soohong	G	5′9″	153	Seoul, Korea
73	Trueman, Richard	D	5′8″	175	Stapleford, Nottinghamshire, England
77	Woods, Shane	D	6'4"	220	Toronto, Ontario, Canada
	Goodreau, Jason	F/D	5'6"	158	Springfield, Illinois, USA

OUIHC Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Nationality
4	Pettengell, Chris	D	5'11	170	UK
5	Luck, Rob	F	6'2	220	Canada
6	Scott, Brendan	D	6'0	190	Canada
7	Bruce, William	F	5'11	190	USA
10	Stankievech, Landis	F	5'11	190	Canada
11	Harris, Jake	F	5'11	160	Canada / UK
12	Leavitt, Ruben	F	5'6	165	USA
16	Simpson, Tait	F/D	6'0	190	Canada
20	Hurn, Chris	D	6'2	210	UK
22	Sjostrand, Johannes	D	6'1	185	Sweden
23	de Hoog, Julian	F	6'1	190	Canada / Germany
24	Puddicombe, David	F/D	6'2	185	Canada
27	Koldyk, Dan	F/D	6'0	190	Canada
29	O'Reilly, Tyler	F	5'8	160	USA
31	Putnins, Dave	G	6'1	220	USA
33	Nicholson, Calum	G	6.2	185	Canada / UK
37	Bradbury, Robert	F	6'2	180	UK
54	Lubbock, Rod	D	6'3	200	UK
69	Akatov, Dmitri	F	5'11	170	Russia / Germany
73	Paterson, Charles	F/D	6'2	200	UK

CUIHC Captain's Message



Dear Supporters

On behalf of the Cambridge Blues, I would like to thank you for joining us for the 90th annual Varsity Match. Ice hockey has a long, remarkable history in Cambridge and Oxford. This was particularly evident this year, as cold winter weather turned the Cambridgeshire Fens into large, open-air skating venues. The frozen fens are considered a key location in the development of the game of ice hockey, and this year members of the Cambridge University Ice Hockey Club were able to practice there for the first time in recent memory.

The Men's Varsity team has experienced a rebirth of sorts this year as well. After several challenging seasons, a strong recruitment drive and a core of returning players resulted in a large, dedicated squad. With eleven new faces in the lineup, it took some time for us to find our form. After two close losses to start the season, our hard work was rewarded with victories over Southampton and London (last year's National Champions) to close out Michaelmas term.

The highlight of our season to date was unquestionably our annual training week in the Swiss Alps in January. Hosted by alumnus Dr Curt Schmitt at the Lyceum Alpinum Zuoz, we enjoyed several hours of practice each day on their beautiful outdoor rink. We also played several spirited matches against the school team and a local club. The absence of an ice rink in Cambridge makes the training at the Lyceum Alpinum's world-class facilities invaluable; we are greatly indebted to them for their unwavering hospitality. We capped off a productive week by winning an invitational tournament, with victories over teams from Zuoz and Zurich.

This success continued into the New Year, as we avenged an early season loss to Warwick. With this victory, there remains only one conference opponent that we have yet to defeat.

It has been an absolute pleasure to captain the Light Blues this season. The team has trained extremely hard and maintained a positive, professional attitude. We would like to thank the Cambridge University Press and our alumni for the continuing financial support that makes our season possible. We are similarly indebted to a number of club members for their organizational efforts: President Jonas Rooze, Fixtures Secretary Richard Trueman, Treasurer Luc St-Pierre, and the glue that holds the club together, Coach Bill Harris

Once again, thank you for joining us. We hope you enjoy the match.

Kevin Musselman

Men's Captain

Cambridge University Ice Hockey Club

CUIHC Player Profiles



Cole 'The Crimson Hound' Smith

To say that Cole's transition from inline hockey hockey has been smooth would be an understatement. Blessed with quick feet and and soft hands. Cole has been smooth on the the ice as well as on the dance floor. He's guaranteed to rack up the points in either arena.



When not chasing hockey pucks, Cole may be found at the law faculty thinking critically about the legal consequences of his actions. An aficionado of fine wines, Cole has been a wonderful addition to the Blues' socials, having made it a habit to show everyone present at any event how to chug an entire bottle of the finest red in one go. Duncan Kennedy would be proud.



Jason 'Golden Coach' Goodreau

Our man with the clipboard and master plan, the 'Golden Coach' has helped the Blues with on-ice instruction this year and will be bench coaching during the Varsity match. Jason is an expert on the fine points of dynamic lunges and the wearing of dark sunglasses and will freely demonstrate the technique involved in both to all at anytime. Given to reading the most fascinating technical manuals on a diverse array of stimulating subjects. Jason has had all the right formulae, statistics and answers to ensure the Blues a winning season.



John 'The Comeback Kid' Coady

Sometimes found skating aimlessly in the Blues' defensive zone. John devotes considerably more attention to the offensive end than to defense, to great result. His philosophy on hockey is simple: concentrate on scoring goals so as to avoid backchecking. With a devastating quick-witted response to every attempt at winding him up, John is the legal counsel you definitely want on your side. When not giving tutorials on the fine art of taping hockey sticks, John may be found at the law faculty telling tall tales, or offering the Blues a compelling legal argument for why even the tide wouldn't take certain girls out to sea in the 'Anne of Green Gables' swimming disaster of 1908 in Avonlea, Canada. A proud Islander, John is also convinced that Sir John A. Macdonald conspired to bankrupt Prince Edward Island so as to force it into Confederation.



Henry 'The Intellectual Giant' Jenks

Henry is no ordinary student. Rather, he is a reader in modern languages, the purest and most time consuming of all intellectual pursuits. When not resolving the great problems of our time, Henry may be found eating eight times day or lifting very heavy weights. He always has a lunch in his pocket, sometimes complete with soup. During the off-season, Henry enjoys fly fishing and displaying his muscles on the Cam. While obviously very busy, Henry always finds time for exfoliating, moisturizing and grooming; occasionally he showers before morning workouts.



Luc 'The Oracle' St-Pierre

An engineer by day and expert in urban demographics by night, Luc has undertaken considerable research into the social fabric of the northern parts of such beautiful cities as Paris, London and Montreal. As the Blues' accountant, Luc is also the person you complain to about ticket prices for the Varsity Match. An anchor of the Blues' defense, Luc remains true to his French-Canadian roots by wearing a visor. When not paying the bills, Luc can be found fundraising for the Quebec separatist party. The Bloc rocks.



Kevin 'Captain Canada' Musselman

The Blues' captain is a team player in every sense. A Varsity Match veteran, Kevin is a tireless worker and gifted leader. Blessed with near infinite patience, Kevin can be counted on to politely answer the most obvious questions at least three times. When not putting the Blues through their paces, Kevin may be found the lab researching materials to make himself taller. His endless diet of tangerine oranges has, to date, been unsuccessful.



Hang Kit 'Ouestions' Wong

A devoted disciple of Al Gore, HK spends his days and nights fighting climate change. HK is not, however, concerned about his own CO2 emissions, asking question after question after question after question after question. A wonderful 'green' addition to the Blues, HK aims to have the Varsity Match carbon-neutral by 2015. When not measuring carbon footprints or harnessing wind energy, HK can be found seeking free legal advice from Wes.



Peter 'Turnip' Morelli

As the Blues' resident poet laureate, Pete (or 'Peter' as he likes to be called around the ladies) is most often found expressing himself in a meaningful way to the referee. When not explaining allegories, Pete enjoys sampling the full English breakfast at The Copper Kettle. Always a threat in the offensive zone, Pete is a Varsity Match veteran having won the Cawthra Trophy last year. Pete spends the off-season at the beach, by the bay, with his imaginary friend Frank.



Darryl 'Sonic the Hedgehog' Patterson

After signing a pre-season endorsement deal with KMS Hair Products, Darryl joined the Blues as a walk-on. A product of the hockey factory that is Upper Canada, Darryl has had no difficulty adjusting to the pace of the English game. When not carefully sculpting his golden locks into deadly spikes, Darryl can be found at Starbucks enjoying coffee over a copy of Fuller's 'The Morality of Law.' After completing his studies at Cambridge, Darryl will begin waiting patiently for his inevitable judicial appointment. He looks forward to putting criminals behind bars for having bad hair.



Jonas 'The Babyface Giant' Rooze

Jonas is the Blues' gentle giant. With boyish good looks and a gentlemanly manner, Jonas is well-known for rescuing damsels in distress and damsels who have already been saved by other Blues. A stalwart on defense, he is well-known for his devastating poke-checks (on and off the ice). During the off-season, Jonas finds time to heal the sick, clothe the naked and feed the hungry. While retirement looms for 'The Babyface Giant,' he will remain a Cambridge legend.



Owen 'Moses' Randlett

A power forward who plays with great intensity, Owen is known for parting the Red Seas of his shoulder-length hair and any pair of defenseman he faces with consummate skill. The most mysterious cyclist in Cambridge, he appears to float rather than bike. He likewise appears unexpectedly in the corners to put an enemy player through the glass with a magical spell. Watch out: Moses is about.



Adrian 'Baby Questions' Fielding

A fresh-faced youth who celebrated his sweet sixteen late in the season, Adrian has provided the Blues with a uniquely European offensive striking power and a plethora of useless questions. Given to taking his shirt off and dancing in bars while shouting in five different languages, Adrian has demonstrated to the Blues why there is a legal drinking age. He has a bright future with the Blues, and will probably grow out of his inexplicable love for house music next season.



Wes 'The Hulk' Novotny

Early on in life, Wes was the test subject for a top secret Canadian experiment to genetically engineer a super-defenseman. The gamma ray enrichment experiments went according to plan and Wes' current hulking physical state and incisive legal mind were the result. One unexpected outcome of the experimentation was that Wes looks decidedly like an awkward schoolgirl when skipping rope or doing plyometrics. Nevertheless, a stalwart defenseman and fast on the counter-attack, Wes is the one ice hockey superhero you don't want to get angre.



Carl 'Empty Net' Mazurek

A sharp classicist who uses his head to stop pucks, Carl has been a major asset to the Blues this season. Although he occasionally strolls away from the net to score goals on the Cambridge Women's team during practice, he keeps all the shots out when he's actually in the net. When not wearing his fashionable goalie kit, Carl favours red trousers, a pumpkin-coloured wool-knit turtleneck jumper and glasses that can be used for seeing as well as those used for drinking alcohol.



Soohong 'Team Sleeper' Park

One of the most dedicated players on the Blues, Soo is so committed to team play he fell asleep on the Captain's shoulder on our first road trip in order to free up a pillow for a teammate. A skilled goaltender who just started this season, Soo is famous for saying that it is easier to stop a puck than catch a baseball as hockey pucks don't curve. Attempts to prove Soo wrong in this latter regard have so far failed and have only succeeded in knocking off Soo's glasses, which he enjoys wearing under his helmet and in any other circumstance where eyewear is cumbersome.



Richard 'Broken Wing' Trueman

Rich will be bench coaching the Blues this Varsity Match, as he recently had to undergo surgery to repair a shoulder injured by throwing a devastating hit against a London Dragon. Bawango! There are a few important things to share about Rich, who we also know as 'Questions Senior', or the Blue who almost graduated to 'Answers': 1) both the nurse and the doctor who reset his shoulder stated that he was the hairiest man they have ever seen, 2) Rich watches Don Cherry Rock 'em Sock 'ems and paint dry for living, 3) he's protective of his special parts, 4) he'll be back for the Varsity match next season.



Chris 'Cyborg' Craggs

A forward with amazing endurance on the ice and a true sportsman in every sense of the word, Chris can always be counted on to keep skating. Then we noticed he had electrical diodes and wires hooked up to his limbs, and realised he was either helping out with sports medicine research or had cybernetically enhanced his performance. He assured us it was a combination of both. Always one for tips on how to make a workout even more difficult for those about to pass out, the 'Cyborg' is the Blues' exemplar of machine level fitness and efficiency.



Alan 'Kamikaze' Douglas

On the ice Alan will be found running into people at high speeds with little regard for his his own safety. This 'Kamikaze' conduct has led to some spectacular collisions - with the opponents as well as with teammates - and been the catalyst for many great plays and goals. Alan is playing in his second Varsity match with Blues, and can always be relied on on for rapid-attack offense and offensive jokes.





Graham 'Financial Big Time' Courtright

Always reading the FT, the Blues' gigantic minister of finance and wit can throw forwards off the puck with the same ease as he manages his investments and wears a tuxedo. The fact that he's often in a 'state' on weekends makes it slightly more difficult for him to manage his business affairs with female investors, but the panache of this true Canadian gentleman defenseman usually gets him out of any social predicament unscathed. With a deadly shot from the point and an imposing portfolio, Graham's a sure bet for big points and big bucks in this year's Varsity match.



Shane 'Tailbone' Woods

The only thing that can successfully knock this big defenseman down is a kamikaze attack from Alan. Shane will be the first to tell you it's just not true that a bruised ego hurts more than a bruised tailbone. Never one to sit on the sidelines when there's a game to be played, Dr Woods has purposefully timed the handing in of his PhD to get in one last Varsity match. What with regularly asking everyone to come out to off-ice training to support him in his quest for fitness and always being the first to offer personal care and advice to the vounsyters. Shane is an important team player and presence on the Blues.



Philippe 'Mystery Man' Bernier

Philippe joined the Blues late in the season, and has kept his life story and character a complete secret by constantly switching helmets during practice. No ice hockey stick is ever long enough for Philippe, but he seems to be able to put the puck in the net and make a good pass when the situation calls for it, so the Blues are just thankful he has a stick at all to play with and don't hassle him too much about his need to play ice hockey with a large tree branch.



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Cambridge University Ice Hockey Club is one of the oldest ice hockey teams in the world.

While the team claims a history dating back to 1885, the first strong evidence for their existence comes on 16 March 1900, when they played Oxford University Ice Hockey Club in the first Ice Hockey Paristy Match, at Princes Skating Club in London, losing 7-6. This match was played, on Oxford's insistence, with bandy sticks and a lacrosse ball. The Cambridge team was led by J. J. Cawthra, who later played for England. The following day, the two universities joined together to play Princes Ice Hockey Club. (Martin C. Harris, Homes of British Ice Hockey. 2005)



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OUIHC Captain's Message



Dear Supporters,

On behalf of the Oxford Dark Blues, thank you for joining us for this year's Varsity Match between the Oxford Dark Blues and the Cambridge Light Blues. Our tradition is a long and storied one: with the first match purportedly played in St. Moritz in 1885, the Oxford – Cambridge rivalry is the oldest in the sport of ice hockey. It is a great honour for all of us to continue that tradition today.

When Rod, Jake, Rob, Dave and I took over the reigns of the team last spring, we had a roster of ten seasoned veterans returning to the squad. As nine rookies arrived one by one over the summer, all with extensive hockey experience under their belts, it became clear fairly quickly that we were in a position to have a very strong season. Our roster today is drawn from six nationalities and fifteen Oxford colleges, and we have even welcomed two former Light Blues into the squad.

As hoped, the 2008 – 09 season has been an extraordinary one for us, and at time of writing we are undefeated at the highest level of university ice hockey in the UK. We have competed with semi-professional teams in Germany and France, and one week after today's match we look forward to playing in the European Universities' tournament in Munich against teams from across the continent.

Our January tour in France has been, as usual, a highlight of the season. In addition to tough matches in front of large crowds in the Olympic rinks of Courchevel and Méribel, we skied some incredible slopes, sampled the nightlife, and in one team member's case, added our name to local Russian mobsters' hit lists. We are heavily indebted to Mr. John McCall MacBain – an Oxford alumnus and a former Dark Blues Captain – for his kind hospitality and generous support, without which such a tour would never be possible.

Our thanks extend further to numerous people and organisations whose extensive efforts contributed towards our season. With his wealth of knowledge, alumnus Michael "Moose" Talbot adds a historical dimension to the Oxford hockey experience that is unrivalled by any other club in the world. Shaun Manners can always be counted on to give our skates the perfect edge and our rink the perfect cut. The Oxford Sports Federation provides enormous support each year and the Oxford Ice Rink team has been very helpful, in spite of our record as Oxford's worst smelling team, four years running. Andy Miller and Rob Grant work tirelessly to administer the BUIHA. And today we are heavily indebted to the CUIHC and their varsity management team for putting together today's event.

On a personal note I wish to thank Kreme, who has risen beyond himself in his commitment on and off the ice, Putnins for his flawless accounting and goaltending, and Landis for his invaluable leadership as both a player and coach. But, above all, I am thankful to Lube for his endless meticulous organisational help, and for infusing the entire team with enthusiasm for both hockey and less noble pursuits. To those of you unable to join us on the ice today and to those of you who will be battling it out, it's been an unforgettable season and an honour to play with you. Enough talk. Do they know who we are? I don't think they know who we are...

Enjoy the game!

Julian de Hoog Men's Captain Oxford University Ice Hockey Club

OUIHC Player Profiles



Dmitri "D-Mobile" Akatov

A part-time model, part-time errant mafia son, D-Mobile competes for most mysterious person on the team. He constantly misses events with poorly thought up excuses such as "My electric skateboard broke", and "Traffic was heavy in the 50m from my house



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to the rink". However, D-Mobile is a character loved by all and a unifying force between teams of the OUIHC, when he's not ditching the team to make laye to monks in Berlin that is.



Rob "Bomber Kommand" Bradbury

Having been released from cryogenic storage by a bunch of kids playing around in an old military warehouse, Bomber Kommand has had a huge season for the Blues this year. He has also proven that classic style never goes out of fashion and pulling your trousers up so that your belt buckle touches your chin is as acceptable today as it was in 1940. Bomber Kommand eats, sleeps, and breathes hockey, so much so that the only time he actually takes his hockey gear off is when he needs to top up his tan in a nearby nuclear reactor.



William "BruceWillis" Bruce

When we heard Bruce Willis was coming to Oxford, we expected to get a fighter. What we didn't expect was to also get a lover. A true gentleman cut in the old Southern US style, Bruce believes that all's fair in love and war, and offers to bring south to the mouth of any Southern belle in need. The only exceptions are Demi Moore, and anyone who talks to him about practice. Practice? We talkin' bout practice?!



Julian "Buch-ache" de Hoog

Julian, or Captain Buch-ache as he's known amongst the team andcertain pornography circles, is the fearless leader of our team. Buch-ache likes nothing better than to step into his 'Jesus sandals', strap on his man bag, and head out into the wilderness in search of water-lilies. As well as this, he took the team on a tour of Berlin, which included witnessing the burial of a coffin-sized box in the sandlot behind his favourite bar. While he says he's quit the wild Berlin night-life, we don't recommend being alone in a room with him and alow sticks



Spanky "Jake" Harris

With Spanky's "21 months & one week" anniversary this weekend, we weren't sure he'd be able to get away from the missus to make the game. Fortunately, his girlfriend has let him attend in exchange for announcing the date here. When Spanks is not having anniversaries he likes to round up his boys, bleach his hair, and hit hardcore underground techno clubs for a little bit of boy bonding.



Chris "Tractor" Hurn

His favourite pastime is, in his own words, to "put on the flat cap, fire up the tractor and plough." Farmer Hurn also enjoys muckspreading and after a long hard day with the animals he likes nothing better than washing down his plough with lavender soap in the nearest bird bath.



Dan "Geriatric" Koldyk

By sheer coincidence, the varsity match coincides with Koldyk's fortieth birthday. Age has taken its toll rapidly on Koldyk, with the mind, the eyes, the ears, and the good looks all racing to be the first to go. Oxford fans: He would probably appreciate it if you sing him happy birthday at the end of the game.



Ruben "Bagel" Leavitt

Bagel is often called the gentleman's gentleman. The most cultured player on the team, his knowledge spans from which fork to use for which course, to how to express appreciation for a fine restaurant meal with his very own bile. A keen drinker of vodka and an absolute magnet for elderly females, our Bagel has been a juggernaut in his dedication to the team this vear.



Rod "Lube" Lubbock

Given that Lube's gastrointestinal tract has been compared to a nuclear powered sewage facility, it comes as no surprise that he was almost detained at Stansted for trying to smuggle beans on to a plane. He made up for it though by buying the stewardess swimsuit calendar, "to keep track of dates", regularly. As much as he tries to hide it though, we all know there is a softer side to him – a quiet, happy Lube who showers his girlfriend with rose petals on Valentines Day and keeps drawers full of unsent letters of admiration for Romber Kommand



Rob "Dumbbells" Luck

Aside from performing biceps curls with farmyard animals and small motor vehicles, Dumbbells is an accomplished amateur movie producer and is particularly interested in magic acts. His dream production would be "me, Whoopi Goldberg, and Grizzly Adams on the camera doing the ROTC jackhammer...". We don't know much about Dumbbells' previous life but it is rumoured he's the only man who's lived to DDT the Pope and witness Chewbacca playing the bagpipes. "THERE YOU GO!"



Calum "Cameltoe" Nicholson

Cameltoe competes with Dmitri for most mysterious person on the team. Although details are sketchy, his late night escapades with Russian mob princesses and ever more embellished dalliances with the locals lead us to believe Cameltoe is living a secret life as a gigolo. Always the consummate politician, he simply refuses to comment on the situation in the hope that it won't end up in the VM program.



Tyler "Juggernaut" O'Reilly

Although Tyler joined us halfway through the season and missed the French skiing, he has more than made up for it since with his avanced ski-poling exercises. When he joins forces with Swede and his pimp cane, those two are unstoppable and anyone by the name of Charles better run. His only vulnerability is his helmet, which he got in fourth grade.



Charlie "Goose" Paterson

Goose, aka Silly Goose, The Love Bird, The Sweetheart Seagull, The Paramour Parakeet, The Inamorato Ituri Batis, The Companion Cockatiel, The Infatuate Iiwi, The Wooing Watercock, The Suppliant Shoebill, The Swain Sand Partridge, the Womanizing Weebill, still regrets leaving love notes in his wallet.



Chris "Peds" Pettengell

Peds, or "Dr. Peds" as he likes to be called in his nurse fetish fantasies, got into medicine for all the wrong reasons. With his stated intention of becoming a gynecologist, it's unfortunate for the women of England that he continues with his studies. Regardless, he plods on wearing the most garish shoes money can buy, and the most garish clothes that money can't. On the bright side, his suit's made out of latex.



David "Puddi" Puddicombe

A compulsive gambler, Puddi will not rest until he's lost everything. Never one to say 'no' to a terrible bet, Puddi has put his dignity, and his clothes, on the line more than once. However, he has his romantic inclinations too as Bomber Kommand discovered on their honeymoon in Morocco. That said, Puddi is still on the lookout for the perfect woman: beautiful eyes, kind soul, and several illeditimate children.



David "Hamburglar" Putnins

A mathematical child prodigy, Putnins received international acclaim recently for his discovery of LGD: Lube's Gastric Disease. An unfortunate first victim of his own discovery, Putnins has fortunately recovered sufficiently to walk to McDonalds, refuel, and have another stellar season. Little known fact: that nest on Putnins' face is in fact a beard composed of four hairs, each of which is capable of reaching the moon and back twice.



Brendan "The Belly" Scott

Before coming to Oxford, Brendan worked as a professional belly dancer in Brazil. While it garners him little respect in the UK, back in Brazil it's earned him a plethora of lovers and a fan base of thousands as he's quickly risen to the top of the charts in the Brazilian belly dancing world. He can often be seen discussing exotic dancing techniques with Cameltoe and providing cameos at Bat-eater's Irish dancing soirees.



Tait "Phantom Log" Simpson

Tait's nickname back in Canada is "The Beaver", due to his ability to dam a whole river with a single log. His technique however is slightly unorthodox, and is illegal to perform in a fresh water source under DEFRA regulations, so he only gets to practice when he visits France. An avid eater of pickled eggs, he claims they help ease his logs into place.



Johannes "Swede" Sjostrand

Mild-mannered and unassuming on the outside, barbaric and tormented on the inside, Johannes is a man of many paradoxes. The only Swede ever to be a Gaza Freedom Revolutionary, he also enjoys the odd fiddle with his pimp cane. This comes in particularly handy when teammate Tyler has lost his helmet – Swede is always there to have his back, and more.



Landis "Bat-eater" Stankievech

A former Hell's Angel and backing guitarist guitarist for Guns N' Roses, Coach Landis Landis decided to give up life on the road road for a career in academia. Never one one to blow a tire in the D zone, Landis Landis likes to turn on the jets, take it it coast to coast, and let a howitzer rip rip to top shelf where mother keeps the the cookies. If you need musical tickets, like to lather yourself in three three different shampoos, or enjoy a enjoy a spot of Irish dancing, Bateater is your man.



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CUWIHC Captain's Message



It is always exciting to watch a team develop and grow over a season, taking on new players, reforming after the previous season, and learning how to work together to play great ice hockey. This season was no different!

With a lean squad this year, our keen rookies stepped up and started playing alongside the vets from the beginning. A special mention must go to our determined netminder who has shown exceptional puck-stopping talent in her rookie season between the pipes. Likewise, the vets have done a fantastic job of holding the team strong and teaching our rookies.

From late nights in Peterborough to early mornings on Parker's Piece and afternoons at the track to a week in Finland, training has been demanding and equally rewarding. Training has also taught us that some people are natural runners and others au naturel runners.

A huge thank you goes to our coaches Bill, Andrew, Ian, Mike, Derek, and Billy who have put in hours of time on the ice, on the road, and behind the bench. Their help is invaluable and has made a profound impact on the development of our team.

The committee of Christina, Mabel, Jen, Rachel, and Siok worked tirelessly to ensure a smooth season. Thank you for all your help in keeping us going!

The financial support of our main sponsor, Cambridge University Press, and the Cambridge Sports Syndicate and McCall MacBain Foundation, continue to make the sport accessible to all our players. For this we are profoundly grateful.

A testament to the incredible efforts of last year's team, we enter the Varsity Match this year with the trophy in hand for the first time in over a decade. This year, we are playing to make it it to in a row for the Light Blues. So, let's go out there and break a leg Cambridge! Well, maybe not littering.

Sarah Creber Captain, Women's Blues Cambridge University Ice Hockey Club

CUIHC Player Profiles



Mabel "Liability" Ang

As the self-appointed team enforcer and a world-class inline freestyle skater, Mabel is a force to reckon with on the ice. Prophesied in last year's Varsity Programme: "if she goes down, she'll drag you down with her!!!". Unfortunately, this exact scene unraveled one Sunday morning on the glassy Vierumaki ice when our fearless Mabel went down in glorious hockey fight fashion twisting and breaking her leg in the fall. (The body weight of an unnamed Captain may have been a contributing factor.) 8 screws, 6 weeks in a cast, 3 days in a Finnish hospital, 2 ice-pick fitted crutches, and 1 metal plate later, she's well on her way to full recovery. Be afraid. Be very afraid.



Kirsty "Duracell" Brain

Although she didn't have the best first impression of the ice by coming off worst with a cut lip at the first training of the season (causing many to worry that she might never step on the ice again), Kirsty's formidable playing at defence has put the ice back in its place. We sometimes wonder whether she should have been a sprinter as she laps us all during fitness training, but we're incredibly glad she skates too. Her hair after practice has been likened to a lion's mane at times, so maybe that's what scares the opposition.



Rachael "Zephyr" Breeze

Rachael joined the team this year new to both hockey and skating. A few months of training and one very long week in Finland later, this rookie has developed into a steady skater and is very much a valued member of the team. Now if we can just get her to give up all those other extracurricular activities...: P



Sarah "Creep" Creber

There aren't many captains as accomplished in so many disciplines as our Creep. Baking pizzas for an entire team, gluing together hockey sticks over the kitchen stove, holding training at the local skate park and slamming people into the boards when they're not looking, on top of helping a teammate to break a leg (literally), are all in a day's work for her. And did we forget to say that she loves hockey? Watch out for her secret trademark flick this varsity - she's been working on it all season!



Sarah "Number 4" Driver

With a history in roller dancing, this is Sarah's first year in the slippery world of ice hockey. Sarah plays defence and her skills are fast improving - with a long cycle ride from Girton every morning, she has an easy way to keep fit. She has a whole four years to become the greatest ice hockey player ever, so watch out Oxford!



Stacey "Stash Monster" Hickson

Sadly, our much-loved Canadian import has suffered the fate of many a well-meaning foreign student, battling a chronic addiction to university-crested-fruit-of-the-loom-merchandise and (God help her) r**ing. Just the merest whiff of a blade and/or hoodie, and Miss Hickory-Dickory loses all self-control. Her hoodlum antics on the ice and extreme readiness to abandon the North-American distaste for nakedness only confirm our suspicions of a keen Asbo-collecting former life. Off-ice, she's generally to be found probing stranger's groins ("looking for the femoral artery"...yeah right Stace) or cutting off the blood supply to their arms. I'll say no more; this girl means business.



Alefivah "Jaffacake" Jafferii

Small but feisty, and super speedy on a new pair of skates, Alefiyah will be looking to impress in her first Varsity match. She has battled her the daunting workload of a first year NatSci these past two terms with bravado, and we love her for it. Her nimble moves and gritty attacks, honed after years of playing field hockey, show out on the ice and make her a forward to be reckoned with!



Siok "Darth Vader" Ong

A first-line forward last year, our beloved Secret Instrument Of Killing crossed over to the dark side this year when she put her hockey stick down to take up an oar. Thankfully for the team, the girl's come to her senses and will be joining us for Varsity this year – there's always room for you Siok, and not just in the backseat of the minibus!



Sarah "Pudsey" Johnson

You'd better watch out. Fast and mobile on her skates; amazing at puck handling; makes good passes*; reads the ice well; uses her stick well; a virtual wall when it comes to one-on-one defence*. Just you try to get past our Johnson**. Many have fallen at her hands. You're next. Don't say I didn't warn you.

*With some heart-stopping exceptions

**An especially bad idea if she's in a ball gown, has had a few too many drinks and there's an ice rink nearby



Zofia "The Cripple" Karasinska-Stanley

New to the team this year, Zofia has shown an amazing natural talent for ice hockey, despite never having skated before. Even when not on the ice, Zofia shows her enthusiasm for ice hockey by cycling around in her kit, consequently causing havoc with Cambridge police. Unfortunately, due to a rather unglamorous skiing accident, she has been unable to play this term. However, we look forward to her return with great anticipation. In the meantime, look out for the girl with the crutches!



Claudiane "Luna" Ouellet-Plamondon

Fast and deadly, this streamlined French Canadian is known for her deep and chilling laugh in the face of the enemy. Watch especially for when the head band is substituted for the eyes - this is truly a force not to be reckoned with. Determined and ambitious, this player assumes nothing and will not rest until she has the answer* (and a photo). Beware.

*the puck



Lana "Spaghetti" Porter

Our newest import from Boston, MA, Lana is undoubtedly the team's best Christmas present ever. So thin it's hard to see her from sideways on, this girl will slink right by you and pot a shot before you can say "fuck yeah!" She's got a wicked sense of humour, great shoes and a mean wrist flick... and she smells good too (thanks MF Porter, we all love the lemon scent) - what more could you possibly want in a teammate??



Jen "Left-handed But Not Vegetarian" Rutter

With her sweet curls, angelic face and tiny feet, our Jen has fooled many an opponent into underestimating her skills as a hockey player. The three years of dedicated training show when this girl gets her skates on and hits the ice – she's one of the best defensemen on our team! Her hidden talents also extend to the often-overlooked practicalities of post-hockey hygiene, although her position as 'Queen of the Showers' is currently being threatened by a certain speedy rookie. Even so, nothing and no-one will ever take Jen's place on the team and in our hearts. (She's got everything she needs, she's an artist, she don't look back.)



Rachel "Streaker" Sidda

Watch out Oxford - Sidda's back! Rachel's enthusiasm for ice hockey (and general nakedness) has been reignited this year, after a couple of years off (well off hockey, not nakedness). One of only two veterans from the 2005 Varsity match, this former-figure skater knows her stuff on the ice and is a serious force to be reckoned with whether in attack or defence.

*Notable achievements: Rachel holds the record for the 100m naked snow dash (although she was in fact the only team member to compete in such a competition).



Clare "Ham-Eater" Watkinson

Possibly the world's best Freddie Mercury impersonator with her mini-bus rendition of Bohemian Rhapsody, our ex-captain's vocals keep us alert and motivated on and off the ice. As it's her varsity match finale, Clare is expected to been seen hurling herself towards a fourth consecutive Spirit-of-the-Match award. In her spare time, this team's top penalty shot scorer, can be seen 'winning' sledging races and snowboarding over small trees in the style of a true future-Canadian.



Christina "Yekky" Yek

Christina is one of the powerhouses behind the success of CUWIHC this year; literally, as she fiercely mans our goal-line, and also in her capacity as trieless team treasurer/bitch. This ex-softball pro has her hands full with both the opposition's pucks, expertly stopped, and fending off numerous admirers. Christina is probably the most loved member of the team; her international roots are echoed by her current international relations. She is more than willing to encourage public nudity in the name of team spirit. Expect a gutsy performance from our goalie, as she knows every day could be her last once the scurvy takes hold...



Ian "Teddy Bear" Evans

Although still in his med-twenties (and therefore younger than some of our old hags), Ian has been coaching, driving, bag carrying and skate sharpening for the team for several years. Although various injuries have stopped him playing hockey for a while, that has not stopped him from helping us out at every opportunity, and for that we want to say a big thank you:)



Derek "Unattractive" Johnson

Derek is one half of our favourite American Airforce duo. Few people can make hockey look as easy as he can. Unfortunately, after a minor slip up in an email earlier this term, the poor guy's ego took a major hit and he's been wallowing in the depths of self-doubt ever since. Derelicte, we want you to know that you're an awesome coach, we love having you around and YOU ARE A SEXY BEAST.



Andrew "Andy" Stephenson

If it hadn't been for Andy, 28 hours of ice time wouldn't have done much good to our players in Finland. Despite the multiple injuries accrued over years of playing hockey and living (driving) dangerously, Andy was there at every ice session, working hard to make the hours fun and useful for us – Andy, we can't say thanks enough for all the help you've given us. We'll be doing our best to make you proud of us this Varsity!



Mike "So Cal" Trelford

Mike, the other half of our favourite American Airforce duo, is a true gentleman. Willing to drive a team of smelly hockey girls around at silly hours of the night, pay more than his share of a meal that made him miss part of a concert, have his house used as a makeshift post office and party venue... who would a thought that this cool guy is from the rough slums of SD, So Cal? His one downfall is a weakness for alcohol (Guinness), not that that will stop him trying to play hockey. Even so, we still want to say: Mike, you're hella good coach and great guy.

OUWIHC Captain's Message



When we started the season, we knew that this year would have to be a "building year", a year spent not so much aimed at improving skills already acquired, but at integrating as many rookies as possible as well as possible. Team morale had not been in the best of states at the end of last season, and so we prepared ourselves for a lot of hard work in order to seduce returning players and rookies alike to the sport.

However, what actually happened was the exact opposite: New players (not unlike squirrels) turned up in unexpected places and, once they had found us, swept us along with their hunger to play, to improve, and to become a team. Initially a fragmented mix of devoted alumni, dedicated returning players and passionate rookies, this team has steadily worked on becoming one unit. To me, the extraordinary speed of progress that we have observed in so many of us this year and the readiness to invest that most of our players have demonstrated consistently is a direct reflection of everyone's willingness to take this sport and this team to heart. Never have I felt so strongly about a team, and never have I been part of a team that was so strong. The list of things we must urgently and significantly improve on is doubtlessly longer than any Christmas wish list I have ever written (!), but nonetheless it is clear to me that as far as friendship is concerned, as well as awareness of what it is that makes ice hockey the sport - the philosophy - of choice, this team is not easily rivaled.

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when academic uniculies resulted in shortcomings in team leadership and management, rather than falling apart, this team closed its ranks and not only owned itself, but also carried its captain through difficult times, and that is just one of the innumerable instances which I could cite to prove the point. There is not a person on this team who has not offered support when circumstances called for it, or that has not taught me (and no doubt others) something of essence.

I salute Hannah and Stef, my ice hockey valkyries;

Xiu Li, whose smile is Mona Lisa's envy, and whose loyalty is unfathomable;

Michelle, who should have been the advisor of a Napoleon, and not of the like of me; Tracy, who

listens intently, sports a heart of gold and promises great things;

Kate of the innumerable secret talents and mind worlds;

Bex, who never surrenders;

Ioana, who is as strong as she is endearing, as eager to make friends as she is willing to defend them, and no doubt the only one to ask for cheesecake during a tough training session;

Laura H of young spirit, old wisdom, and great honesty;

Smo, for all patience, help, advice, support, and Good Times;

Kessa, who is never afraid of putting herself on the line for those she cares for, and whose sense of justice accepts no compromise;

Laura V-A, who impressed me deeply with her talent for diplomacy:

Aivsha, who rocks beyond comparison:

Melissa, for watching my back countless times; and

Chana, for great charisma and a sense of humor that defeats all attempts at imitation.

I am tremendously grateful for every single one of you girls and for all the memories made together, and I hope that we will not only be able to carry our momentum into the next season, but also to play a varsity match that – whatever the outcome may be – demonstrates the long way we have come. Hard-fought matches make meaningful victories: good luck to Cambridge as well.

Anne-Marie Trachmann Women's Captain Oxford University Ice Hockey Club

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Kate Ennis

Kate can skate with the power of eight. Our youngest player, she is always first on the ice. Her game is as wild as her hair. A woman of few words, she prefers to let her stick speak for her. All for the better, or indeed for worse, she'll send you off the ice in a hearse. As a team, we must profess: We're astounded by her progress!



Anne-Marie Trachmann

Our beloved half-German half-Romanian, legendary email-writing (this is the girl who has egged us on to 'break out of the defensive zone like the face of a 14-year old') and ridiculously enthusiastic captain has been an inspiration to us all this year. One of the friendliest and kindest girls you'll ever meet off the ice (except for the odd incident of road rage- if you're a man driving an expensive car in a London traffic jam, DON'T try to cut in front of her), once in her kit she transforms in a fearsome hockey player who is miraculously always in the right position, never willing to let the puck go and is guaranteed to kick the opposition's asses...



Kessa Coleman

The tragic incident that brought her season to a premature end turned out not to be so tragic after all: she re-emerged as the bionic cheerleader. The centerpiece of team morale, there has not been a greater (or LOUDER) support. She's the Mouth of the South. The only thing she fears is a moment of silence. The only thing her opposition fears is the day she gets back on ice!



Chana Hoffmitz

Chana is so chot she melts the ice. She fires out Disney lyrics like she fires out shots. Given her score record, she turns all opposition into Poor Unfortunate Souls. Although she blatantly is a hoser, her fancy-dress skills are to be admired. What she can do with stick tape can't be matched. Be careful: "It's a restraint."



Tracy (Fangni) Zhang

Her bright pink stick serves to highlight a rookie who stands out for enthusiasm, speed of progress and strong will to succeed. With a heart of gold, she'll soon light up the scoreboard...once we get her a helmet that fits properly.:)



Michelle Bannister

With skill and speed on her side, this former figure skater will take it to the house, and then she will document it on facebook. She has traded in the sparkles for the cage. True to her principles, true to her team, true to the game. In the words of the legend herself: "I don't do sports, I just do ice."



Xiu Li Sim

A few words to describe Xiu Li: Kind, gentle, sweet, loving... maybeoff-ice. But on ice, she comes with a public health warning. Her fists are banned in 27 countries. Her skating is smooth, but the devious little smile betrays her intents. This empress of the ice knows the dragon warrior within. Skadoosh.



Hannah Carnegy-Arbuthnott

This British bullet on the ice lives by one motto: No work, no pancakes. The defendlest of defenders she is never one to back down from a challenge. Her high-pitched warrior cry, though fierce, can be heard only by dolphins and Portuguese water dogs. Such is the magnificence of her talent that it could not be concealed from GB recruiters. She transitions into backwards skating smoothly and effortlessly. She becomes SPEEEEEED. She hyphenates because it's coal_She is SHE-WOOD!



Laura Halonen

This is what Laura wanted us to write: "Being a nerd, Laura does not have enough imagination to write amusing anecdotes about her hockey adventures, even imagining that she had an interesting enough life for such stories to exist. Besides, it's the game that matters after all."

And after contemplation, we figure the severe degree of self-delusion apparent in this utterance will serve to delude the opposition as well. However, as a matter of good sportsmanship we should mention that the positioning she taught us is aligned with the stars and will bestow on us the effect already observed at the Pyramids: Time slows down around us and blades get sharper when our shadow falls on them.



Joyce Meng

We are especially proud to have on our team this year one half of the Meng Dynasty. With superior puck handling and top-notch agility, she makes clear that you don't mess with Texas. In fact, a team of quantum physicists works 24-7 in order to make sure that the speed of her skating does not rupture the time-space continuum.



Sarah Michelle Orton

Hailing from Canada, where oddly she never touched a puck, Smo took up ice hockey three years ago with the Oxford team. she plays and watches so many sports we cant keep track, but hockey is definitely at the top of her list. Smo studies neurology in her spare time....when she's not doing something sports-related or going to hockey socials of course.



Melissa Friedman

Melissa defends our treasury like she defends our goalie. She knows the hockey rules like she knows the torah. She lights up the goalpost like she lights up the menorah. The only thing she rocks harder than hockey is karaoke. Having recently married, we hope that she loves her husband as much as her peanut butter sandwiches. Congratulations on finding your bashert. Melissal



Stephanie Simmons

Our goalie's drive and determination is unparalleled. Don't be fooled by her sweet and innocent exterior. Inside lurks a heavy-metal headbanger. She may have lost her dreadlocks but she still eats nails for breakfast. Her reaction time is proof that light speed can be beaten. Having run several marathons, she is as fit as she is feisty. A bite from a radioactive laser imbued her with sniper vision, further guarantee that she will live up to her family tradition of goalkeeping excellence. Simmons: It's more than a name. It's a dynasty, Babe.



Ioana Gagea

We already know that gypsies could do magic and tell the future, but Ioana proved to us that they can also skate. The gypsy will steal your puck, as well as your victory. Or so it was foretold in her crystal ball. A witchcraft-fuelled kicking of your posterior is what you're in for if you play against her. Mwahahahaha...



Rebekka Harding-Smith

Bex, the ultimate "player-slayer" is not only
Our most ferocious defender, but also has

One of the strongest shots. She works the scoreboard like she works her booty, Too hot to handle and too cool for school. You'll see her coming at you, but You won't know what hit you. She drives us to games, but she drives the quys

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Oxford University Ice Hockey Club, sometimes known as Oxford Blues, is one of the world's oldest ice hockey teams. Tradition places the origin of the club in 1885, when a match is said to have been played against Cambridge University Ice Hockey Club at St Moritz. This date is recognised by the Hockey Hall of Fame, and prior to the 1985 Ice Hockey Varsity Match, the International Ice Hockey Federation formally recognised it as the first ice hockey match played in Europe. However... Oxford now claims that this was a bandy match. (Wikipedia, 2009)



A Brief History of Ice Hockey

Though Canada is widely known as the home of ice hockey, the game gradually developed into its present form through the activities and interest of many individuals and groups. Its origins clearly lie in the British Isles. In England a game of this type called "bandy" was played before 1300 A.D., while In Scotland and Ireland it was known as "shinny" and "hurlev" respectively.

Early in the seventeenth century the metal skate was invented in the Netherlands and later brought to England. During the severe winter of 1813-14 in England, a game of "bandy" is known to have been played on the ice of Bury Fen in Huntingdonshire. Within a few years definite rules had been developed for playing "bandy" on ice.

When and where ice hockey began in Canada is uncertain. There are accounts of games being played early in nineteenth century Halifax, Montreal, Kingston, and elsewhere. It remains a controversial issue today. Some who have studied the history of ice hockey in Canada argue that the first game of ice hockey was played in Kingston in the winter of 1855. Others maintain that it was in Montreal that ice hockey, in its present form, was first played in Canada.

Ice hockey in a form that closely resembles its present day form was created by a small group of students at McGill University in the mid-1870s. Recognizing the need for a standard set of rules, they studied carefully the rules for English rugby and field hockey. To that point there was little uniformity in the rules for ice hockey. The McGill University Hockey Club, which emerged in the late 1870s, is believed to have been the first organized hockey team in Canada, and the game subsequently spread across the country.

Interest in ice hockey was destined to spread beyond Canada. Some Canadians, studying at the Universities of Cambridge and Oxford, organized teams in their respective universities. The first Cambridge-Oxford ice hockey match was played at St. Moritz, Switzerland, in 1885. Each year since then, save for wartime and certain exceptions, Oxford and Cambridge ice hockey teams, boasting truly international rosters, have met for their friendly annual encounters. These two ice hockey teams, like their counterparts at several Canadian universities, are among the most historic and continuous hockey teams in the world.



Ice Hockey Rules

Basic Rules

Ice Hockey is a fast-paced game played on a frozen surface, "the rink", by two (2) teams, comprised of six (6) players each. The object of the game is to place a round, black disc made of vulcanized rubber, "the puck", into the opponent's net using L-shaped hockey sticks. The players wear ice skates and use stick handling, passing and shooting in an effort to score goals. The team with the most goals at the completion of play is proclaimed the winner.

The rink is surrounded on all sides by "boards", 3 1/2 to 4 feet high while the goal mouths are 4 feet high and 6 feet wide. The puck is 1 inch thick, 3 inches in diameter and weighs 5.5 to 6 ounces.

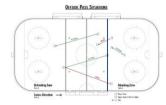
The rink is divided by three coloured lines (blue and red) into three zones (attacking, neutral and defending).

À player detected by the referee in roughing, tripping, high-sticking or other violations must spend two minutes (a minor penalty) or more (major penalties) off the ice in the "penalty box" and his team must continue play shorthanded, resulting in a "powerplay" for the opposing team. If the team manages to score during the penalty time, the offending player Division of Ice Surrace

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may return to the ice. Hockey is fast and there is continuous substitution: Look for different "lines" of players to take shifts which usually last about one minute.

A game is divided into three equal periods, separated by intermissions. Each period lasts twenty (20) minutes and begins with a "face-off" at the centre circle. Teams switch playing sides after each period. If a game ends in a tie, teams may play one ten minute overtime of sudden death; the team to score first wins. If still tied, the play may proceed to a penalty shootout.



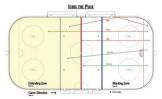
Off-side

When a team is attacking, moving with the puck into the offensive zone, the puck needs to cross the Blue Line before any offensive player. If a player crosses the blue line and enters into the offensive zone before the puck, he/she is off-side. some situations, the puck may leave the zone and then be shot back in, while there are still attacking players over the blue line. In this case, in order to avoid an offside call and a resulting face-off outside the zone, all attacking players must leave the zone and then re-enter it again.

Icing

When the teams are at equal numerical strength, it is an infraction when a player on his team's side of the red centre line shoots the puck all the way down the ice past the red goal line at any point other than the goal liself without any player touching the puck on the way there. If this occurs, play is stopped and the puck is returned to the other end of the ice for a face-off in the offending team's zone.

However, icing is not called when the shooting player's team is playing shorthanded — watch the side on a "penalty kill" dump the puck into their opponent's zone to enable a line change.



Officiating



Referee extends arm (and points to penalized player).

By this signal the official is indicating one of three things:

- Delayed calling of a penalty
 Delayed calling of off-sides
- 3) Potential Icing



WASH-OUT

Both arms swung laterally across the body with palms down.

Indicates that there is no off-sides or no icing. When done after an apparent goal, it means the goal has been nullified.

SOME OF THE MAIN PENALTIES



BOARDING
Pounding the closed
fist of one hand into
the open palm of the
other. Called for driving an opponent into

the boards.



CHARGING
Rotating closed fists
in front of chest.
Called for taking
more than three
strides before checking an opponent.



CROSS-CHECKING
A forward and backward motion extending from the chest.
Called for hitting an opponent with both hands on the stick and no part of stick on the ice.



ELBOWING Tapping the elbow with the opposite hand. Called when using elbow to impede opponent.



HIGH-STICKING
Holding both fists
clenched, one above
the other at the side
of the head. Called
for carrying the stick
above the waist
against an opponent.



HOLDING
Clasping the wrists in the front of the chest.
Called for using hands on opponent or his equipment.



HOOKING Tugging motion with arms. Called for using the stick or blade to hook an opponent.



INTERFERENCE
Crossed arms in front
of chest with fists
closed. Called for
having contact with
opponent not in possession of the puck.



ROUGHING
A thrusting motion
with the arm extending from the side.
Called for engaging
in fisticuffs or shoving.



SLASHING Chopping with one hand across the opposite forearm. Called for swinging stick at opponent.



SPEARING
A jabbing motion with both hands in front of the body. Called for using the stick like a spear.



TRIPPING
Strike the right leg
with both hands in
front of the body.
Called for using stick,
arm or leg to cause
opponent to trip or
fall.



Icentre' Cambridge is a proposed a state-of the-art ice venue with a difference. Designed by HOK Architects – who built the Arsenal Emirates Stadium – the 'Icentre' will provide a venue on the outskirts of the city for the people of Cambridge and the surrounding area.

Designed to be integrated into the landscape, the 'Icentre' rises out of the ground like a giant thumbnail. With a grass roof it will use renewable materials and up to the minute technology to create as low a carbon footprint as possible.

At the centre of the 'Icentre' there will be an Olympic sizeice rink, but fantastically there will be a polar exhibition area – with input from the British Antarctic Survey (BAS) and Scott Polar Research Institute – used as an educational resource for visiting school groups. Ice cores collected by BAS from Antarctica and Greenland will be housed in a specially designed underground storage vault with room for scientific study.

Situated in north-west Cambridge (subject to planning consent) the 'Icentre' will inject vitality to the city and a sense of identity to the new North West Cambridge community. On-site parking, a nearby Park and Ride depot (Madingley Road) and a location within easy cycling distance from the city centre will provide easy access for everyone. With a focus on polar research, the 'Icentre' will combine learning, leisure, science and sport, providing a venue for business leaders to find out about the latest climate change studies.

Millionaire Canadian businessman David Gattiker, who studied at Cambridge University and was captain of the Cambridge University ice hockey team, bequeathed a substantial amount of money to the University to help build an ice rink for the city, but more funding is needed. A group from Cambridge Leisure and Ice Centre (called CLIC) are trying to make David Gattiker's dream of bringing an ice rink to Cambridge a reality. For more information please email Bill Harris: harris@mole.bio.cam.ac.uk





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