



Canada & the League of Hockey Nations

Critical Perspectives on Hockey in Canada & Beyond: An International Conference

April 19 - 21, 2007
Victoria, BC, Canada

Conference Programme

Hotel Grand Pacific

THURSDAY APRIL 19TH

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Registration

Look for the table in the lobby of the Hotel

5:30 p.m – 7:30 p.m.

Cocktail Reception / Opening Remarks

Room: Pender Island Ballroom

Welcome: Jamie Dopp (Victoria)

Lorna Jackson (Victoria) Reading from *Cold-cocked: On Hockey*

Mark Anthony Jarman (New Brunswick) Reading from *Salvage King, Ya!*

FRIDAY APRIL 20TH

8:15 a.m – 9:00 a.m

Registration table open

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m

Breakfast

Get your own breakfast. See hotel info for suggestions.

8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m

Hockey Book Fair

The Book Fair will be open at intervals throughout the day in the **Saturna Room**, closing during sessions and then opening up again at lunch and afterwards.

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Opening Plenary Session

Room: Pender Island Ballroom

Chair: Richard Gruneau (SFU)

Stephen Hardy (New Hampshire) “Periodizing Hockey History: One Approach”
David Whitson (Alberta) “Hockey Night in Canada: Cultural Institution or
‘Niche Sport’”

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Break

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 a.m.

Concurrent Sessions

Session A: Developing the Game I

Room: East Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Bronwyn Dunbar (Victoria)

Julie Stevens (Brock) and **Carly Adams** (Western) “An Examination of
Women’s Sport Governance Issues: A Case Study of an Ontario Girl’s
Minor Hockey Association”

William McTeer (Laurier) and **Philip White** (McMaster) “Elite Hockey
Participation in Canada and Social Class Background”

Megan Popovic (Western) “Our Boy’s Going to Play in the Big Leagues: Hockey
and the Life of a Family’s Game”

Session B: Hockey and Literature

Room: Centre Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Randall Maggs (Memorial)

Andrew Holman (Bridgewater) “Frank Merriwell on Skates: Images of Canada
In American Juvenile Sporting Fiction, 1900-1960”

Michael Kennedy (Saskatchewan) “Teaching Hockey Literature at a Canadian
University: Illusion Vs Reality”

Michael Buma (Western) “Save our Team, Save our Game: Identity Politics in
The Canadian Hockey Novel”

Session C: Hockey on the World Stage I

Room: West Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Roger Godin (Minnesota Wild)

Len Kotylo (SIHR) “The Roots of Hockey’s International Appeal”

Gerard Billard (Rouen) and **Ludivine Lemoine** (Rouen) “Is French Professional
Hockey Really French?”

Julian Ammirante (Trent) “Globalization in Professional Sport: Comparisons
between Hockey and Football”

12:15 p.m – 2:00 p.m

Lunch and Reading / Speaker

Room: Pender Island Ballroom

Chair: Jamie Dopp (Victoria)

Randall Maggs (Memorial): Reading from *Night Work: The Sawchuck Poems*

Stephen Brunt Reader / Speaker: “Searching for Bobby Orr”

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions

Session E: Hockey and History

Room: Centre Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Morris Mott (Manitoba)

- Stacy Lorenz** (Alberta) and **Geraint Osborne** (Alberta) ““There Is No Evidence of Any Intention to Do Anything More Than the Usual Injury: Debating Hockey Violence During the 1907 Manslaughter Trial of Charles Masson””
- Michael Talbot** (Oxford) “The First Team Canada: The 1909 Oxford Canadians”
- Roger Godin** (Minnesota Wild) “Eveleth’s First Champions: The 1932-33 Rangers”

Session F: Developing the Game II

Room: East Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Carly Adams (Western)

- Saaqib Ahmad** (Govt Canada) “Running the Numbers: The Science of Winning in the NHL”
- Kelly Lockwood** (Brock) and **Julie Stevens** (Brock) “Effective Infrastructure and Long Term Athlete Development”
- Jill Tracey** (Laurier) “Not just a Pain in the Head: Issues in Sport-Related Concussion within the Culture of Hockey”

Session G: Hockey / Culture I

Room: West Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Don Morrow (Western)

- David McNeil** (Dalhousie) “The Practice and Function of Hockey Photography, 1945-55”
- Brian Kennedy** (Pasadena) “Whatever Happened to the Organ and the Portrait of Her Majesty?: NHL Spectating as Imaginary Carnival”
- Richard Harrison** (Mount Royal) “Stanley Cup / Superman”

3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Break

3:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions

Session H: Hockey on the World Stage II

Room: West Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Andrew Holman (Bridgewater)

- Ed Mason** (Unitec) “Media Framing of the Other: Hockey in New Zealand Sports Media”
- John Soares** (Nortre Dame) “Boycotts, Brotherhood and More: International Hockey from Moscow to Colorado Springs via Squaw Valley, 1957-62”
- Markku Jokisipila** (Turku) “Political and Ideological Self-Understanding of Cold War Hockey Soldiers”

Session I: To BC or not to BC: The Effects of the Implementation of Body Checking in Atom Hockey

Room: East Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Kim Dorsch (Regina)

(All papers in this session are co-authored by the six member research group: names here are primary presenters)

Kim Dorsch (Regina) “Why Study the Implementation of Body Checking?: An Overview”

Larena Hoerber (Regina) and **Orland Hoerber** (Regina) “Understanding Body Checking”

Wade Kolmel (Regina) and **Erwin Karreman** (Regina) “Body Checking and Aggressive Behaviour”

Harold Reimer (Regina) “Other Factors to Consider”

Session J: Hockey and Race

Room: Centre Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Lorna Jackson (Victoria)

Rod Murray (Alberta) and **Stacy Lorenz** (Alberta) “The Dennis Rodman of Hockey: Ray Emery and the Policing of Blackness in the Great White North”

Sam McKegney (Mount Royal) “The Aboriginal Art of Wake-Swimming or The Media Mythologization of Jonathan Cheechoo”

Kristi Allain (Trent) “Unsportsmanlike Conduct: An Examination of Masculinities, Canadian Hockey, and non-North American Players”

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Banquet Dinner

Room: Pender Island Ballroom

Welcome: Jamie Dopp (Victoria)

Richard Harrison (Mount Royal) Reading from *Hero of the Play*

Harley Hotchkiss “To Be an Owner and a Lover of the Game”

SATURDAY APRIL 21ST

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Concurrent Sessions

Session K: The Business of Hockey

Room: Centre Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Julian Ammirante (Trent)

John Wong (Washington) “The Business of Professional Hockey and Urban Development”

Daniel Mason (Alberta), **Ernest Buist** (Alberta), **Gregory Duquette** (Alberta) and **Jonathon Edwards** (Alberta) “The Stadium Game in Canadian Hockey League Communities”

Robert Bellamy (Duchesne) and **Kelly Schultz** (Penn St) “Shades of SportsChanel America: Another Fine Mess for NHL Television Coverage in the U.S.”

Session L: Gender, Identity and Hockey I

Room: East Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Susan Wilson (Victoria)

Megan Robertson (UBC) “Tiered Justice: Legal Codes in the National Hockey League”

Carly Adams (Western) “Searching for Legitimacy: The Ladies Ontario Hockey Association, 1922-1940”

Kelly Hewson (Mount Royal) “‘You Said You Didn’t Give a Fuck About Hockey’: Popular Culture, The The Fastest Game on Earth, and The Imagined Canadian Nation.”

Susan Wharton (SFU) “Hockey in the Classroom: the Challenges”

Session M: Hockey / Culture II

Room: West Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Richard Harrison (Mount Royal)

Tim Elcombe (Brock) “The Moral Equivalent of Don Cherry”

Lynne Perras (Calgary) “‘Say Goodnight Bobby’: The Hockey Player in Canadian Humour”

Patricia Hughes-Fuller (Athabasca) “‘Wacousta at Centre’: Imagining Hockey as Canadian Gothic”

10:30 a.m – 10:45 a.m.

Break

10:45 a.m. –12:15 a.m.

Concurrent Sessions

Session N: The Chris Pronger Trade

Room: Centre Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Richard Lehman (Victoria)

Craig Hyatt (Brock) “Pronger’s Trade Demand from a Gift-Giving Perspective”

Bill Foster (Alberta) “A One Pronged Attack: Repairing the Institution of Community in Reactions to Chris Pronger’s Trade”

Mark Julien (Brock) “Gender Role Theory and Reactions to Chris Pronger’s Trade”

Session O: Gender, Identity and Hockey II

Room: West Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Misao Dean (Victoria)

Anne Hartman (York) “Playing with Identity in the Shiny Underground: Sport, Nation, and Queer Communities in Toronto”

Danielle Deveau (Simon Fraser) “‘Play Like Girls!’: Hockey, Team Canada and the Crisis of Masculinity”

Darron Bunt (Alberta) “Constructing the Man: Media Representations of Sidney Crosby”

Session P: Hockey and Canadian National Identity

Room: East Vancouver Island Ballroom

Chair: Doug Beardsley (Victoria)

Brett Kashmere (Filmmaker) “Lessons from Valery’s Ankle”

Jason Morris (UNBC) “Skating on Thin Ice: Hockey and Canadian National Identity in the Twenty-First Century”

Don Morrow (Western) “The Summit Series, Iconic Cornucopia of Canadian Cultural Values: An Examination of Selected Symbolic Representations”

12:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Lunch and Readings

Room: Pender Island Ballroom

Welcome: Doug Beardsley (Victoria)

Brian Kennedy (Pasadena) from *Growing Up Hockey* (memoir)

Bill Gaston (Victoria) from *Midnight Hockey* (memoir)

2:00 p.m. – 3: 30 p.m.

Closing Panel Discussion: Hockey and Writing

Room: Pender Island Ballroom

Chair: Stephen Brunt

Lorna Jackson (Victoria) “The Challenges and Rewards of Taking Hockey as a Writing Subject”

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