



2022 AGE-GRADE CLUB FINALS TOURNAMENT PACKAGE

Sunday December 4, 2022
Cowichan Rugby Club
1860 Herd Rd, Duncan, BC V9L 5W4



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Introduction

Welcome all teams to the 2022 Age-Grade Club Finals. Inside this tournament pack you will find all information to guide you through this year’s event.

Should you have any questions on the day of the event that aren’t addressed by this pack, please see one of the BC Rugby Staff onsite at the Cowichan Rugby Club.

Competition Purpose

Age-Grade Club Finals is the culmination of the Age-Grade season seeing the winning Boys and Girls teams in the U18 and U16 Age-Grades from the Mainland and Island






come together in a crossover event to determine the provincial champions. This competition supports the long-term athlete development plan and aligns with the Rugby Canada Age-Grade Law Variations and BC Bears pathway.


2022 Schedule Details

Below is the Day of Event Schedule and the Changeroom Schedule.

 AGE-GRADE CLUB FINALS MATCH SCHEDULE					
Time	League	Team A	Team B	Format	Field
12:00pm	U16 Girls Gold Final	Island U16	Mainland U16	10-15 a side	2
12:45pm	U16 Boys Gold Final	Mainland U16	Island U16	10-15 a side	1
1:30pm	U18 Girls Gold Final	Island U16	Mainland U18	12-15 a side	2
2:15pm	U18 Boys Gold Final	Mainland U18	Island U18	12-15 a side	1

Important, please note total match play per day is per Rugby Canada's Age-Grade Law Variations.



 AGE-GRADE CLUB FINALS CHANGE ROOM SCHEDULE		
Time	Change Room 1 (Island Teams)	Change Room 2 (Mainland Teams)
11:30am	U16 Girls Island	U16 Girls Mainland
11:50am	Leave changeroom with all belongings	
12:15pm	U16 Boys Island	U16 Boys Mainland
12:35pm	Leave changeroom with all belongings	
1:00pm	U18 Girls Island	U18 Girls Mainland
1:20pm	Leave changeroom with all belongings	
1:25pm	U16 Girls Island	U16 Girls Mainland
1:40pm	Leave changeroom with all belongings	
1:45pm	U18 Boys Island	U18 Boys Mainland
2:05pm	Leave changeroom with all belongings	
2:10pm	U16 Boys Island	U16 Boys Mainland
2:25pm	Leave changeroom with all belongings	
3:00pm	U18 Girls Island	U18 Girls Mainland
3:15pm	Leave changeroom with all belongings	
3:45pm	U18 Boys Island	U18 Boys Mainland
4:00pm	Leave changeroom with all belongings	

Warm-up Areas

Teams are asked to warm up away from their fields.

Jersey Colour

Some divisions may require communications between teams to avoid colour clashes. The Mainland teams will be viewed as the 'away' team and therefore have first choice on jersey colour.





Key Deadlines & Timelines

- **9am Friday Dec 2** - Team Rosters for Playoffs must be submitted to BC Rugby via Sportlomo. All rosters submitted will be checked to ensure Rules compliance.

Pre & Post Match Timelines

- 30mins pre-KO: Access to allotted changeroom
- 10mins pre-KO: Exit changeroom, removing all bags from change room
- 5mins pre-KO: All Teams must be on the field
- Full-time: Shake hands, Runners-up & Winners Presentations
- 5mins post-match: Access to allotted changeroom
- 20mins post-match: Exit changeroom
- 2hrs post-match: update roster submitted with all substitutions made

Key Rules of Competition for Playoffs - EXCERPT

Section 5.7 Match Day Management:

Per Rule 5.7 Match Day Management the following rules apply:

- a) **Under 19 Variation** – on any given day, any Player aged 18 years or younger must not exceed Playing 80 minutes within a single Match, including overtime, and must not exceed Playing 90 minutes within that day. For multiple day tournaments, any Player aged 18 years or younger must not exceed Playing 80 minutes within each day of the tournament.
- b) **Injury Replacement** – no player that is removed due to injury is permitted to return to the Match that they were removed from, unless they have been cleared by the designated team therapist.
- c) **Substitutions** – all Matches shall be permitted unlimited player exchanges.

Section 6.2 Tie-Breaking in Playoff Matches

If the score is tied at the end of regulation time of a Playoff Match, then the tie shall be broken by the following procedures:





- (a) First to score during a maximum of two five-minute halves of overtime shall be Played.
- (b) If the score remains tied, the winner shall be determined by considering in order of the factors below:
 - i. The team with the most tries scored during the playoff match;
 - ii. The team with the most converted tries scored during the playoff match;
 - iii. The team with the most penalty goals during the playoff match;
 - iv. The team with the most drop goals during the playoff match;
 - v. The team that scored first during the playoff match;
 - vi. The toss of a coin organised by the Match Official.

Section 6.6 Player Eligibility:

In addition to Player Eligibility for the relevant Competition, the following apply to a Player's eligibility to represent a Club's Team in Playoffs. If a Team has any Player that does not comply with the following, then that Team will be deemed to have defaulted the Playoff Match and the opposition shall be deemed the winner and progress.

- (a) Commitment – a Player must have Played at least 50% of the Club's scheduled Matches for the Club to be eligible to represent that Club in Playoff Matches. Playing more than one Match within one week (Monday to Sunday) will only count as one Match towards the Player's eligibility calculation. The Committee will receive applications for exemptions in accordance with Section 8.3.
- (b) Overtime – regardless of any overtime required in Playoff Matches, any Player subject to World Rugby's U19 Variations must not exceed 80 minutes of Playing time in that Playoff Match.

Section 6.7 Team Rosters:

Submitting Team Rosters - All Team Rosters for Playoffs must be submitted to BC Rugby by Friday 9am prior to each Playoff Match. Changes may still be made up until 2 hours after the final whistle and must include all substitutions made. Roster size is consistent with regular season.

Section 8.1 Age Restrictions:





A Team may apply for a named Player to be exempt from an age-grade as an over-age or under-age player by providing BC Rugby with a written request stating the named Player's age, height, weight, position and brief overview of their playing experience & intended impact on the age-grade Team. No Age-Grade Team may exceed three over-age Players per roster, excluding U18 Age Grade. No player is exempted until written approval is provided by BC Rugby.

Law Variations and Rules of Competition

Rugby Canada's Age-Grade Law Variations will be used for these matches. Format may change if teams are unable to have a full roster.

Venue Details

The 2022 Age-Grade Club finals are taking place at the Cowichan Rugby Club 1860 Herd Rd, Duncan, BC V9L 5W4. All games will be played on either field #1 or #2.

Please ensure that you are respectful of the Club and take cleats off when going indoors as well as throwing all garbage away.





AGE-GRADE CLUB FINALS

COWICHAN, BC | DECEMBER 2022

Cowichan Rugby Club

1860 Herd Rd, Duncan, BC V9L 5W4



Parking:

Parking is free and located as per the map above. Additional parking can be found on Herd Rd.

Changerooms:

2015 Main Street
Vancouver, British Columbia V5T 0J8
T: 604.737.3065 E: info@bcrugby.com

BC Rugby gratefully acknowledges that its offices reside on the traditional and unceded territory of the Coast Salish Peoples, including the territories of the x^wməθkwəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), Stó:lō and Sellilweta?/Seliłwítulh (Tseil-Waututh) Nations.





Teams have allocated changerooms for the event prior to their games only. Please ensure you remove all belongings once your time slot is finished.

Bathrooms:

There are washrooms located in the Clubhouse.

Award Presentations

Award presentations will take place after each final on the field. Medals will be presented to both the winning team and the runner-up.

The Rugby Shop Merchandise Stall:

The Rugby Shop will be present and parked in the Parking Lot selling a selection of Rugby apparel and kit.

Restricted access:

When not in a match, all areas on-field will be limited to officials, volunteers and BC Rugby staff who can be identified by their clothing. Please always travel around the outside of the fields.

Spectators:

We want you to get a great view of the action all weekend but be aware that Referees will be running up and down the touchlines during match play. Please respect them and give them space to do their job. Please always stand at least 2 meters back from the touchline.

Travel Subsidy for Teams

Teams travelling across the Georgia Strait will be in receipt of a \$500 travel subsidy per Team. Bank Transfers will be made out to the Club & posted following the Finals.





Food & Water

Food

Cowichan Rugby Club will have their kitchen open with food for sale throughout the event.

Water:

Please bring your reusable water bottle for the weekend and fill it up at the clubhouse.

Referee Information

- All matches will be appointed a team of Officials.
- Appointments will be made by BCRRS.
- Please always show respect to Officials – give them the space to do their job
- Any questions or concerns can be directed to BC Rugby's Officials Development Manager Chris Assmus at cassmus@bcrugby.com and Technical Director John Tait jtait@bcrugby.com.

Weather Advisory and Cancellation Protocol

Rain and snow can be forecast leading up to and including the Age-Grade Finals Day, BC Rugby will monitor the situation accordingly. Safety is always the primary concern, and we might be forced to make a tough decision at late notice.

In the event of cancellation due to inclement weather or any other unforeseen event, champions may not be able to be determined. This is unless teams agree to rearrange and play out the championship fixture at another venue within 10 days of the original date (December 4), in which case BC Rugby will honour the result of the replayed match.

BC Rugby will endeavor to communicate any cancellation to Clubs as quickly as possible after a decision is made.





Medical Information

BC Rugby Medical Staff will be present. BC Rugby Staff will only step onto the field for an injury if called upon by a Coach, Referee or Therapist. Therapists will be wearing Red Pinnies to identify themselves. Please bring your own taping as these services will not be provided by therapists.

BC Rugby’s number one priority is player safety and adheres to World Rugby’s policy of ‘Recognize and Remove’ when dealing with concussions or suspected concussions.

Any player suspected or suffering from concussion should be immediately removed from competition and report to BC Rugby Medical Staff for evaluation. Not reporting injury symptoms to avoid medical evaluation significantly increases the risk prolonging recovery and long-term effects.

Alternatively, players can be directed to Cowichan District Hospital for evaluation and treatment from a physician for any injury.

Emergency Action Plan

Information	Details
Charge Person:	Naomi Ogawa: 250-891-3539
Call Person:	Appointed BC Rugby Therapist
Events Emergency Coordinator:	David Newson: 604-318-4142
Emergency Services Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Limit scene to First Aid providers and move bystanders and players away from the area - When calling Emergency Services, provide name and title or position, current address, telephone number; number of individuals injured; condition





	<p>of injured; first aid treatment; specific directions; other information as requested.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact First Aid providers through the Events Emergency Coordinator
<p>Directions to McArthur Island Park from Nearest Major Intersections:</p>	<p><u>From Trans-Canada Highway 1 via Herd Rd:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Head North on Trans-Canada Highway 1 - Turn Right (East) on Herd Rd and continue down road for approximately 4.5km - Rugby Field will be on your right - Events Emergency Coordinator will meet ambulance at field entrance <p><u>From Trans-Canada Highway 1 via Trunk Rd:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cross Trans-Canada Highway 1 heading East onto Trunk Rd - Continue straight onto Tzouhalem Rd - At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto Maple Bay Rd - Continue on Maple Bay Rd for approximately 6km - Turn Left (North) onto Herd Rd - Continue on Herd Rd for approximately 4km - Events Emergency Coordinator will meet ambulance at field entrance
<p>Ambulance Access #1:</p>	<p><u>From Trans-Canada Highway 1 via Herd Rd:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Head North on Trans-Canada Highway 1 - Turn Right (East) on Herd Rd and continue down road for approximately 4.5km - Rugby Field will be on your right





	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Events Emergency Coordinator will meet ambulance at field entrance and access can be straight onto field
Alternate Ambulance #2 Directions to Stadium from Nearest Major Intersections:	<u>From Trans-Canada Highway 1 via Trunk Rd</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cross Trans-Canada Highway 1 heading East onto Trunk Rd - Continue straight onto Tzouhalem Rd - At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto Maple Bay Rd - Continue on Maple Bay Rd for approximately 6km - Turn Left (North) onto Herd Rd - Continue on Herd Rd for approximately 4km - Events Emergency Coordinator will meet ambulance at field entrance and access can be straight onto field
Location of Physician:	At Emergency facility listed below
Location of Phone and/or Cellular Phone #:	Cell phone with Call Person
EMS Dispatch #:	911
AED Location:	There is no AED onsite.
Security Dispatch #:	N/A
Location of Nearest Emergency Facility:	Cowichan District Hospital: +1 250-737-2030, 3045 Gibbins Rd, Duncan, BC V9L 1E5 Nanaimo Regional General Hospital: +1 250-755-7691, 1200 Dufferin Crescent, Nanaimo, BC V9S 2B7 Victoria General Hospital: +1 250-727-4212, 1 Hospital Way, Victoria, BC V8Z 6R5





Assembly Point for Lightning or Severe Weather:	Take shelter immediately in any surrounding building or metal-roofed vehicle. Stay inside for 30 minutes after the last rumble of thunder is heard.
Muster Point	In the events of a mass emergency such as an earthquake, the assembly point for all staff and attendees is clear of all structures in the middle of their current field.
BC Rugby COVID-19 Safety Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sam Crawford - covidsafety@bcrugby.com - 778 653 1621

Emergency Field Access for Cowichan Rugby Club

