



# NCCP Bantam AA Women's Hockey News

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## Midget AA (Gibson) Wins Silver at Provincials

Then NCCP Midget AA (Gibson) team ended the year on a very high note by capturing the silver medal at the Provincial championship.

The NCCP "Caps" team started off Friday with a 0 - 0 tie against the heavily favoured Sudbury Lady Wolves. Melanie Dodd-Moher started her strong tournament play by making a number of unbelievable saves to preserve the tie. A convincing 2 - 0 win against Chatham on Friday night set them up for a huge test against a fast Hamilton team. The third game in the provincials is critical in that you must win to advance.

Saturday morning saw the Caps down 1 - 0 to Hamilton and down 5 players to 4 because of a penalty with only 1:46 left in the game. With the goalie out Amanda Ricker scored the tying goal with 6 seconds left in the game. After 2 over-time periods Amanda Lucky scored to advance to Caps to their next game.

Next up was a big and rough Peterborough team. After regulation time the score was 0 - 0 and this game also went into double overtime when Brittany Perkins scored to set up the Caps third game on Saturday at 10:30pm.

This game against Kingston was almost a re-run of the Peterborough game, with Kingston carrying the play. After regulation the score was once again tied 0 - 0. And once again in the second overtime period, Brittany Perkins scored to send an exhausted Caps team over the boards to congratulate all the players. Three games on Saturday with all 3 going into double overtime!!!!

Sunday morning in the semi-finals the Caps prevailed 3 - 0 over Kingston once again.

The gold medal final game saw the once again heavily favoured Sudbury team, rated number 1 in the province, facing the bench-shortened and very tired Caps team. This game would go to Sudbury by a 5 - 2 margin. The young, under-manned Caps team had little left after their marathon games on Saturday. They gave everything they had but lost to a stronger team.

Coaches Steve Gibson and Krista Black delivered emotional speeches praising the players on their superior efforts. Tears of joy were shed by both players and coaches. The coaching staff did a great job of having the players raise their level of play, and the players rose to the occasion.

Next up are tryouts for the next season followed by a well deserved summer.