



TEAM ALASKA TIER 1 NEWSLETTER

Competitive Spirit on Display at Termination Dust Invitational

It was an action packed weekend at the Termination Dust Invitational as all Team Alaska squads took the ice and showcased their skill, effort, and competitive spirit. Each team battled hard against strong opponents, with multiple championship appearances and two titles coming home to the program. Our 150 team captured the 16U division championship after a hard fought 4-1 victory over the Valley Thunder 16U. Carter Bott led the way with two big goals, and goaltender Jackson Heinrich stood tall between the pipes with 24 saves to secure the win and seal the championship. In the 18U division, the 16U team put together a dominant performance, earning a commanding 6-1 win over the 18U Blue Devils to take home the championship banner. Gavin Held fueled the offense with two goals and one assist, while netminder Tyler DiCarlo stopped 17 shots to close out the tournament on top. Both our Youth 130 and Girls 14U teams advanced to their respective championship games, showing grit and determination throughout the weekend. The 14U Girls came up just short in a thrilling 4-3 overtime loss to the 16U All Star Girls. Kensley Forbes recorded one goal and one assist, and goaltender Aurora Price made 32 saves in a strong effort. The 130 squad battled hard in a tight 2-0 championship loss to the 14U North Stars. Goalie Bruin Porterfield was solid in net, turning away 22 shots to keep the game close until the final buzzer. From start to finish, the Termination Dust Invitational was a great showing for Team Alaska. Each group displayed teamwork, composure, and pride while representing the program.



16U Girls Gain Valuable Experience at the NIT Tradition Showcase

Our Team Alaska 16U Girls made their first out of state trip of the season, traveling down to Blaine, MN, to compete at the NIT Tradition Showcase. The event marked their first taste of Tier 1 competition and a valuable opportunity to test themselves against some of the top programs in the country. While the weekend presented it's share of challenges, the girls showed strong compete levels in every game. Despite the several close matchups, the team struggled early to find the back of the net, revealing areas for growth and highlighting some habits needed to score more goals. The team finished the weekend with some scoring touch, battling to a 5-5 tie against the 19U Minnesota Loons. In that game, the girls saw goals from Madi Bigelow, Summer Olmstead, Kate Moseley, and Ayla McGee, with Olivia Yurkew turning aside 19 shots in net. The offensive breakout showed the team's progress and their potential as they continue to build chemistry and confidence. A highlight of the trip came off the ice, when the girls attended an NCAA D1 game at the Univ. of Minnesota's Ridders Arena, watching the Gophers take on the Ohio State Buckeyes. Experiencing the speed, skill, and discipline of collegiate level hockey gave the players a first hand look at the habits and commitment required to reach the next level. Overall, it was a memorable weekend of learning, growth, and team bonding. Returning home with the valuable experience and clear vision of what it takes to compete at the top level of their game.



18U Team Battles Through Overtime Thrillers at the NAT1HL Showcase

The Team Alaska 18U squad traveled to Janesville, WI for the NAT1HL West Showcase, finishing the event with a 2-0-2 record. The first three games all went into extra time, showing the team's determination to battle back even when trailing late. In Game 2, Keagon O'Bryan shut down all three shootout attempts by Wasatch with highlight reel saves, while Rylan Kirby buried the winner with a well placed low blocker shot. The team closed the weekend strong with a commanding 9-1 win over Seattle, proving how good they can be when they play a full 60 minutes. Reid Carlson led the way offensively with 8 points in 4 games, as the 18U group continues to build confidence and consistency heading into their next stretch of games in Detroit, MI November 20th - 24th.



150 & 16U Teams Impress at T1EHL Showcase in Sioux Falls

Team Alaska's 150 and 16U teams traveled to Sioux Falls, SD, to compete in the T1EHL Showcase, one of the premier Tier 1 hockey events in the nation. Both teams rose to the challenge, delivering strong performances and showcasing that Team Alaska can compete with some of the top programs in the country. The 150 team had an outstanding weekend, going 4-1 on the trip and remaining undefeated in showcase play with a 4-0 record. The team earned two thrilling overtime victories, with Asher Roy netting the OT winner against the Colorado Thunderbirds and Carter Bott scoring the deciding goal versus the Milwaukee Jr Admirals. Bott led the team offensively, tallying 5 goals in 4 games and setting the tone for a confident and exciting weekend of hockey. The 16U team also turned in an impressive showing, finishing 3-2 overall and a 3-1 record in showcase play. The group picked up statement wins over top programs, including a 5-4 victory over Pacific District rival LA Jr Kings, a 6-1 win over the Milwaukee Jr Admirals, and a 5-2 win over the Rocky Mountain Roughriders. Keyon Hunziker and Jaden Mack led the scoring attack, each posting 3 goals and 2 assists across the four showcase games. Both teams represented Alaska with pride, effort, and skill, earning respect on the national stage and continuing to raise the profile of Team Alaska within the country's most competitive Tier 1 League



Team Alaska Gets in the Halloween Spirit

Team Alaska brought some serious creativity and comedy to the ice this October as several teams celebrated Halloween in style. The 14U Girls and 16U Girls teams hit the ice for their annual Halloween themed practice, suiting up not just in their usual hockey gear, but in full costume. From superheroes and animals to movie characters and spooky outfits, the players found fun and inventive ways to blend their costumes with their equipment, turning practice into a festive, laughter-filled skate. Meanwhile, the Youth 16U and 18U teams added their own twist to the Halloween celebrations with Halloween game on October, 31st. Players arrived at the rink in costumes, and even the coaches joined in, taking the bench dressed up for the occasion. The game itself was a defensive battle, ending in a rare 0-0 tie, but with no one scheduled to take the ice after, both teams decided to settle things with a 3 man shootout for bragging rights. Baylor Berg sruck first for the 18U team to give them a 1-0 lead. Keyon Hunziker answered back for the 16U swaud to even things at one apiece. After a series of clutch saves from goaltender Torsten DeCovich and Eli Maesner, Jaden Mack buried a shot top right to seal the win for the 16U team and secure the Halloween game bragging rights. From clevel costumes to competitive spirit, it was another reminder that Team Alaska knows how to balance hard work with a whole lot of fun.





October was a standout month for Keyon Hunziker, who earns TA Player of the Month honors after an impressive stretch of performances. Keyon tallied 9 goals and 11 assists for 20 points in 15 games, leading by example with consistent effort, offensive creativity, and strong two way play. Keep up the hard work Keyon!

Hazel Zmuda has been a consistent offensive force for the 14U Girls, earning TA Player of the Month honors for October. Hazel recorded 5 goals and 4 assists for 9 points in 8 games, showcasing speed, skill, and determination every time she hit the ice. Her energy and leadership continue to set the tone for her team's success.



Mark Your Calendars

Games & Upcoming Events



Team Alaska 130

- CCM Invite Chicago November 6th - 9th - Chicago, IL
- 11/6 - 130 vs Chicago Reapers - 5:20 PM CST @ Seven Bridges
- 11/7 - 130 vs Chicago Mission - 11:55 AM CST @ Mount Prospect
- 11/7 - 130 vs Columbus Jr Blue Jackets - 8:25 PM CST @ Orbit Ice
- 11/8 - 130 vs Niagara North Stars - 11:45 AM CST @ Mount Prospect

Team Alaska 14U

- West Coast Elite Showcase November 7th - 9th - Scottsdale, AZ
- 11/7 - 14U vs Colorado Thunderbirds - 10:05 AM MTN @ Shane Doan
- 11/7 - 14U vs Phoenix Jr Coyotes - 5:25 PM MTN @ Shane Doan
- 11/8 - 14U vs Rocky Mountain Roughriders - 8:05 AM MTN @ APEX
- 11/8 - 14U vs Colorado Thunderbirds - 3:45 PM MTN @ Shane Doan
- 11/9 - 14U vs Rocky Mountain Roughriders - 10:00 AM MTN @ Shane Doan

Team Alaska 150

- T1EHL Dallas Showcase November 20th - 24th - Dallas, TX
- 11/20 - 150 vs Dallas Stars Elite - 7:45 PM CST @ Valley Ranch
- 11/22 - 150 vs Anaheim Jr Ducks - 10:00 AM CST @ Valley Ranch
- 11/22 - 150 vs Phoenix Jr Coyotes - 8:15 PM CST @ Valley Ranch
- 11/23 - 150 vs LA Jr Kings - 4:30 PM CST @ Valley Ranch
- 11/24 - 150 vs Colorado Rampage - 10:15 AM CST @ Valley Ranch

Team Alaska 16U

- T1EHL Dallas Showcase November 21st - 23rd - Dallas, TX
- 11/21 - 16U vs Colorado Rampage - 9:15 AM CST @ Valley Ranch
- 11/21 - 16U vs Florida Alliance - 3:30 PM CST @ Valley Ranch
- 11/22 - 16U vs Nashville Jr Predators - 12:00 PM CST @ Valley Ranch
- 11/23 - 16U vs Phoenix Jr Coyotes - 12:15 PM CST @ Valley Ranch

Team Alaska 18U

- T1EHL Detroit Showcase November 20th - 23rd - Detroit, MI
- 11/20 - 18U vs Detroit Belle Tire - 4:30 PM EST @ Taylor Sports Plex
- 11/21 - 18U vs Nashville Jr Predators - 3:00 PM EST @ Taylor Sports Plex
- 11/22 - 18U vs Detroit Compuware - 11:15 AM EST @ Dearborn DISC
- 11/22 - 18U vs Soo Indians - 5:15 PM EST @ Dearborn DISC
- 11/23 - 18U vs Dallas Stars Elite - 10:00 AM EST @ Taylor Sports Plex

Team Alaska 14U Girls

- 11/8 - 14G vs All Star 16 Girls - 9:15 AM @ UAA
- 11/9 - 14G vs North Star 16 Girls - 2:00 PM @ BB2
- 11/15 - 14G vs TA 16 Girls - 11:30 AM @ Sully
- 11/16 - 14G vs Oilers 12U Tika - 2:15 PM @ BB1
- 11/23 - 14G vs Oilers 12U Tannahill - 12:45 PM @ RED

Team Alaska 16U Girls

- 11/8 - 16G vs Oilers 14U - 5:45 PM @ DA2
- 11/9 - 16G vs All Stars 16 Girls - 2:00 PM @ BB2
- 11/22 - 16G vs All Stars 16 Girls - 9:15 AM @ UAA
- 11/22 - 16G vs All Stars 19 Girls - 6:15 PM @ BB2
- 11/23 - 16G vs All Stars 16 Girls - 3:00 PM @ BB2

