

2023 Alberta Series Lacrosse Commissioner's Report

Our five franchises competed in a 14-game season, with the regular season requiring a 35-game schedule. The Calgary Mountaineers finished the regular season first overall, the first time the Miners haven't finished first since 2015. In the semi-finals the Mounties swept the Rebels and the Miners swept the Knights. In the Provincial Championship, the Miners swept the Mounties in three. The Miners attended the Presidents Cup in Oakville, where they finished with a silver medal losing to the Ladner Pioneers in the Championship game.

After the opening weekend, the season went fairly smooth. There was one game that resulted in a forfeit win due to improperly rostered players. There was another team fined for an illegal player, they lost the game in question so a forfeit wasn't required. One suspension was reversed after a video review and one suspension issued for verbal abuse of an official.

As we look forward to the next season, I have been in meetings all season with the other Senior B leagues across Canada. There has never been unity in this division, and we now have all leagues talking about player eligibility-especially thee number of pro players playing in the amateur game. There will be a national executive elected, and this committee will be meeting regularly at LC meetings as at the Presidents Cup as well.

Yours truly,

Norm Shaw Alberta Series Lacrosse Commissioner