

2024 President's Cup Report

The 2024 President's Cup was hosted by the. Ladner Pioneers and the Ladner Leisure Centre. The staff and volunteers at LLC went above and beyond with their hosting and organization. The Ladner Leisure Centre was a great facility with different food trucks each day and beer gardens. The atmosphere was electric.

The tournament featured 7 teams: Host Ladner Pioneers (BC), Miners (RMLL), Snake Island Muskies (TNSLL), Six Nations Rivermen (OSL), Allegany Arrows(CALL), Standing Buffalo Fighting Sioux (PGLL) Victoria Shamrocks (WCSLL). The format was a full round robin. The Ladner Pioneers finished first in round robin with a 5-1 record.

The Miners finished second overall with a 4-1-1 record, and defeated the Allegany Arrows 11-8 to punch their ticket to the Championship game for a rematch of the 2023 final with Ladner Pioneers. Incidentally, the Allegany Arrows were the only team to defeat the Miners in the round robin. The Miners finished with a silver medal after an incredible rematch of the 2023 final with Ladner Pioneers, ultimately falling by a score of 9-2.

The atmosphere was electric in Ladner as the Pioneers chased their 3rd consecutive championship. The Pioneers prevailed and became only the fourth team in the 60 year history of the President's Cup to have a three-peat, the last team being the Miners (2016-2018).

This year the Presidents Cup saw a few changes on the floor with the 3 official system employed for the whole championship tournament and the "NLL" rules were used. We saw a very exciting tournament with fast paced games. We also saw a much tighter tournament overall with even last place Victoria Shamrocks (0-5-1) being in every game but one. They had a tie, 2 one-goal game losses, a 2-goal loss, 3 goal loss and the biggest score differential for them was a 13-7 loss to Six Nations. To see that the last place team was able to be this competitive shows we are on the right track eliminating the professional players out of this division.

Regards,

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