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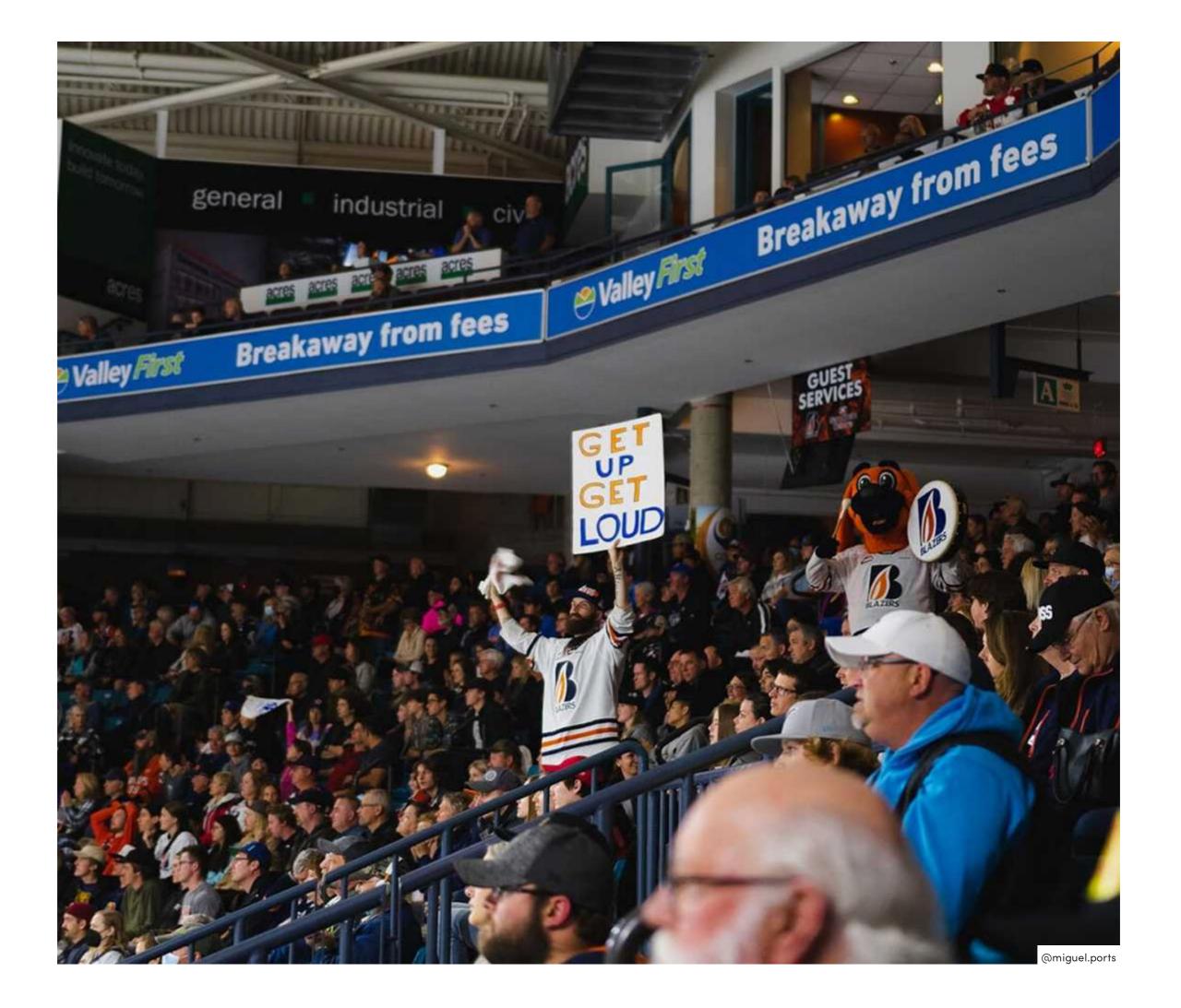
## Get ready for the 2023 Memorial Cup in Kamloops: everything you need to know

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Get ready to throw on your jersey and cheer on your favourite team because the 2023 Memorial Cup is coming to Kamloops!

This highly anticipated hockey tournament will take over the Sandman Centre in the heart of downtown Kamloops. A <u>series of</u> <u>Memorial Cup related satellite events</u> will take place throughout the 10-day tournament, making it a full-blown celebration of all things hockey and Kamloops.

2 Day Packages available click here!



#### The Memorial Cup Opening Ceremonies

Get ready for a special pre-game celebration the day before the 2023 Memorial Cup kicks off! Fans can <u>score a free ticket</u> to witness the arrival of the prestigious Memorial Cup trophy, complete with a welcome and prayer by Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc and introductions of all four Memorial Cup teams. Don't miss this unforgettable event and the chance to be a part of the excitement.

Looking for something to do after the Opening Ceremonies with the family?

- Discover outdoor activities in Kamloops the entire family will enjoy from water parks to wildlife to educational attractions.
- Escape the Kamloops sun and explore family-friendly activities inside from indoor pools to trampoline parks to science centers.
- Take in our local arts scene at the Kamloops Museum, arts galleries and film venues. Want to spend more time outside? Take a tour of our downtown alley way murals.
- Burn off some energy at any Kamloops' playgrounds, parks, waterparks, and skate parks across the city.



#### The Molson Canadian Hockey House

Get ready to rock and roll with The Glorious Sons as they kick off the 2023 Memorial Cup presented by Kia in style! The twotime JUNO award-winning rock band will headline The Riverside Party presented by Simpcw Resources Group on May 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the Molson Canadian Hockey House in Kamloops. And that's just the beginning! The entertainment zone, located just outside the Sandman Centre, will host a series of complimentary concerts by DJ Shub, Gord Bamford, Dear Rouge, and local musicians from Kamloops.

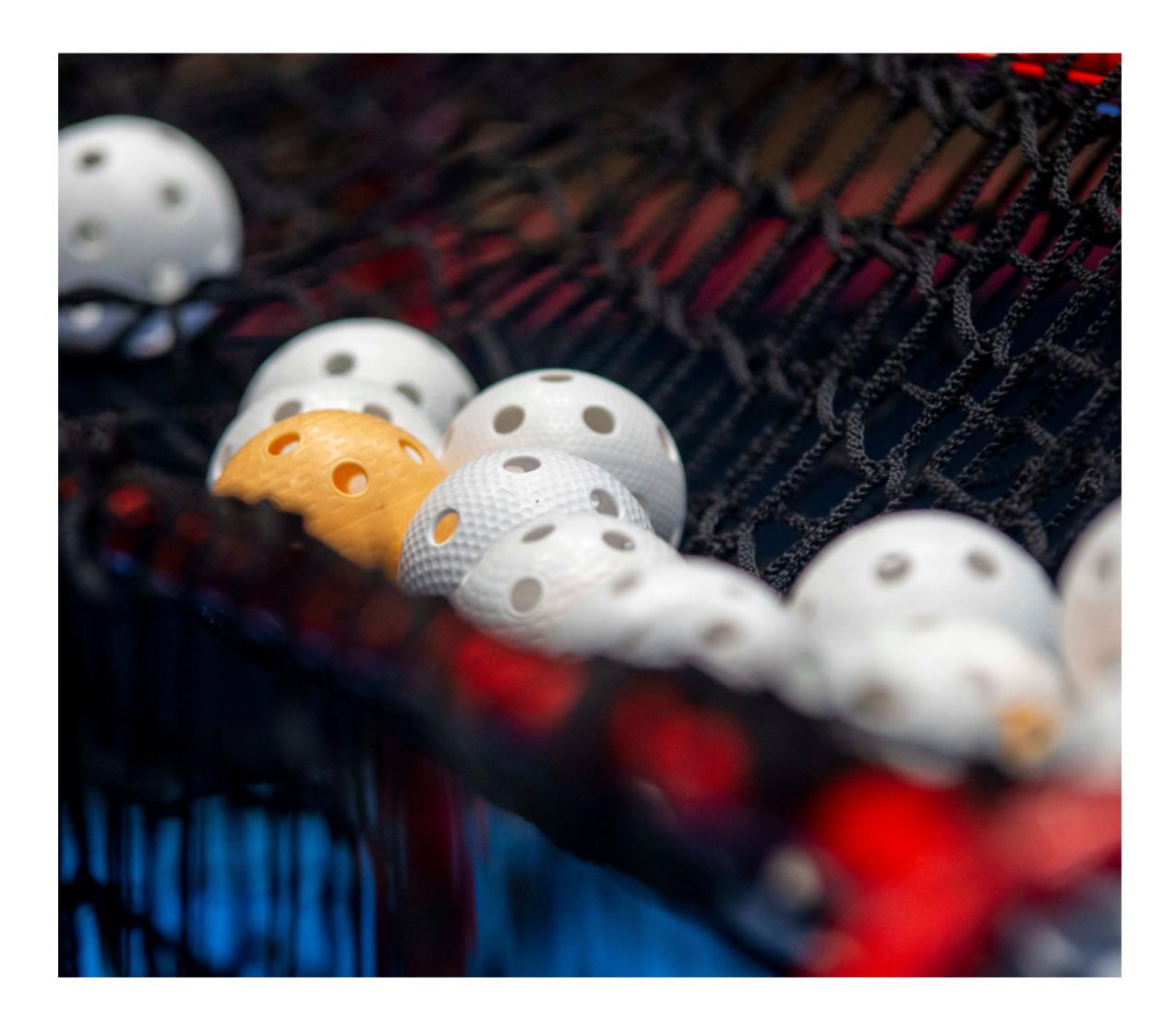
But that's not all - the Molson Canadian Hockey House will be the official entertainment venue for the tournament, offering viewing parties of Memorial Cup games, a inspirational speaker series, tasty snacks, official merch, and more. Don't miss the Blazing Trails Leadership Series presented by TteS, featuring Olympic medallist and mental health advocate Clara Hughes (free tickets here) on May 31, and hockey legends like Marie-Philip Poulin, Meghan Agosta, Ken Hitchcock, Kirk McLean, and Manon Rhéaume sharing their insight and stories.

The best part? Events hosted at the Molson Canadian Hockey House (except The Riverside Party) will have complimentary admission based on capacity, so there's no reason to miss out on the fun!

Please note times and locations of all events are subject to change. <u>Check out the CHL's official page for the most updated</u> information.

Need to cool down (or warm up) in between games? Downtown Kamloops has restaurants, cafes, breweries and ice cream shops for everyone to enjoy.

- A quick crossing of the pedestrian bridge and you're at the steps of <u>Red Collar Brewery</u> and <u>Gin Lane Distillery</u>. Known for their Europeaninfluenced brews, lively gin cocktails, and food menu designed to be shared.
- Kamloops' first microbrewery, The Noble Pig offers house-made craft beer and a unique beer fusion cuisine cooked fresh in their fromscratch kitchen.
- Downtown Kamloops is home to unique home goods, clothing and gift stores. Far & Wide, Castles & Cottages / Ciao Bella Boutique, <u>Crooked Crown, Desert Rain Giftware</u> and <u>Ms. Whimsy's Gift Emporium</u> are perfect for treating yourself or finding the perfect gift. If you
  want to pick up that perfect new clothing piece or footware, <u>Jardines Domaine</u>, <u>MainStreet Clothing</u>, <u>Kennell's Shoes</u>, <u>Big Boot Inn</u> and
  <u>McAllister & Howard Clothiers</u> have many stylish options.
- Kamloops is home to 2 artisanal ice cream shops within walking distance of the Sandman Centre for all those post-game sugar fixes. Featuring 48 flavours of Foothills ice cream plus a variety of dairy-free sorbets, sugar-free ice creams, sherbets, and peanut-free or gluten-free options, <u>Scoopz Ice Cream Parlour</u> is located just across the street. <u>Frozen Paddle Ice Cream</u> is located just up Victoria street featuring classic flavours like Cookies 'n' Cream, Double Chocolate, Salted Caramel, and Vanilla Bean, but also a variety of limited edition flavours like Cinnamon Bun, London Fog, Mini Egg, Carrot Cake, and more.



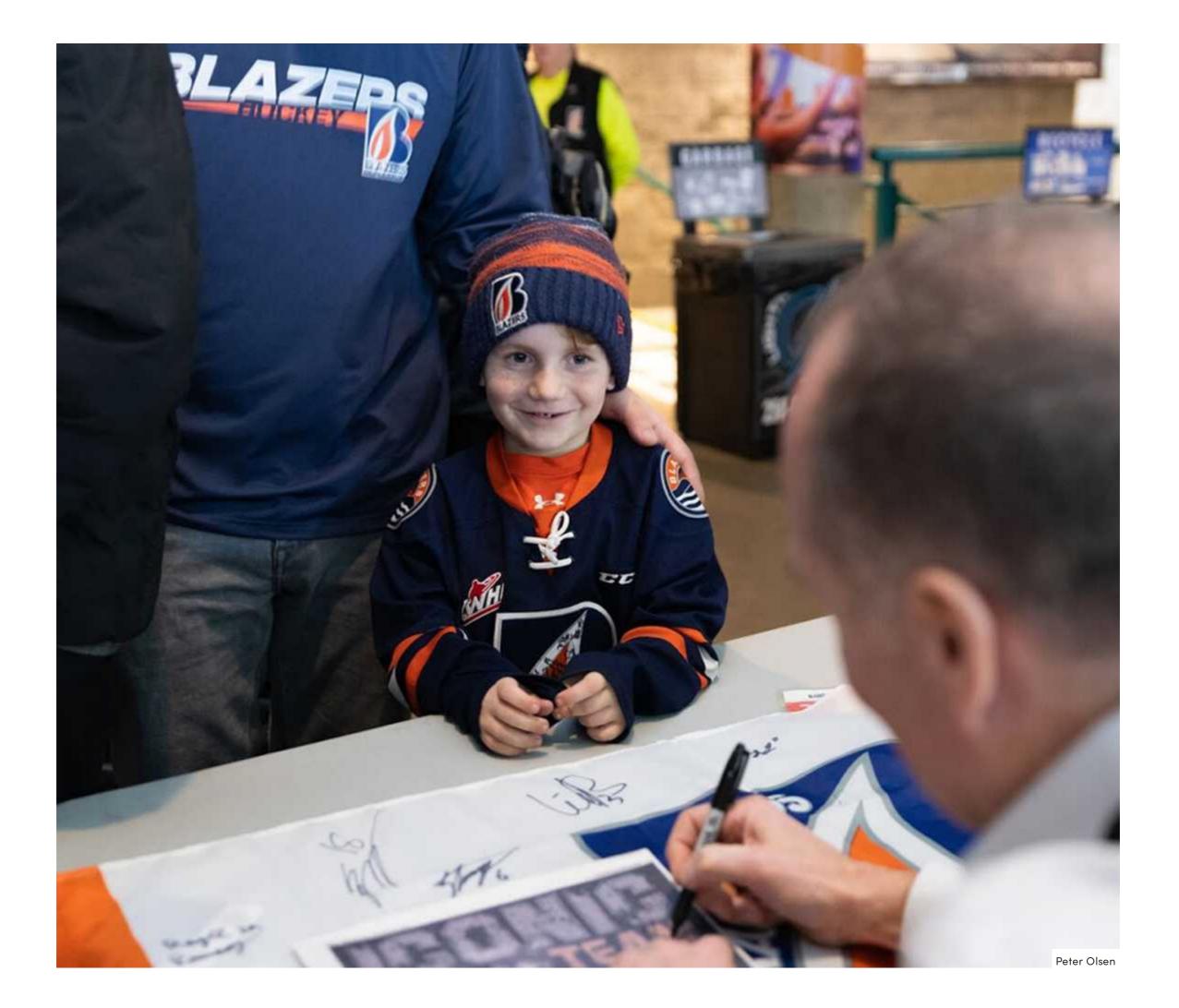
### Memorial Cup Ball Hockey Tournament presented by Morfco

Prepare for an amazing ball hockey weekend with the Kamloops Ball Hockey League! As a league with over 50 years of experience, the Memorial Cup proudly presents the 2023 Memorial Cup Ball Hockey Tournament, brought to you by Morfco.

This year, they're thrilled to introduce their brand new portable ball hockey mini rinks, designed to bring the excitement of the game to the entire community. Whether you're a ball hockey fan or a beginner, they invite you to join them for a high-energy weekend of games and activities for all skill levels aged 5-13.

Registration will include an official Memorial Cup jersey and some thrilling souvenirs to commemorate your experience. All games will consist of 3-on-3 play with a goalie, with plenty of substitutions to keep the energy and excitement high throughout the tournament.

Gather your team or sign up as an individual, and prepare for a ball hockey weekend you will never forget! Register here.



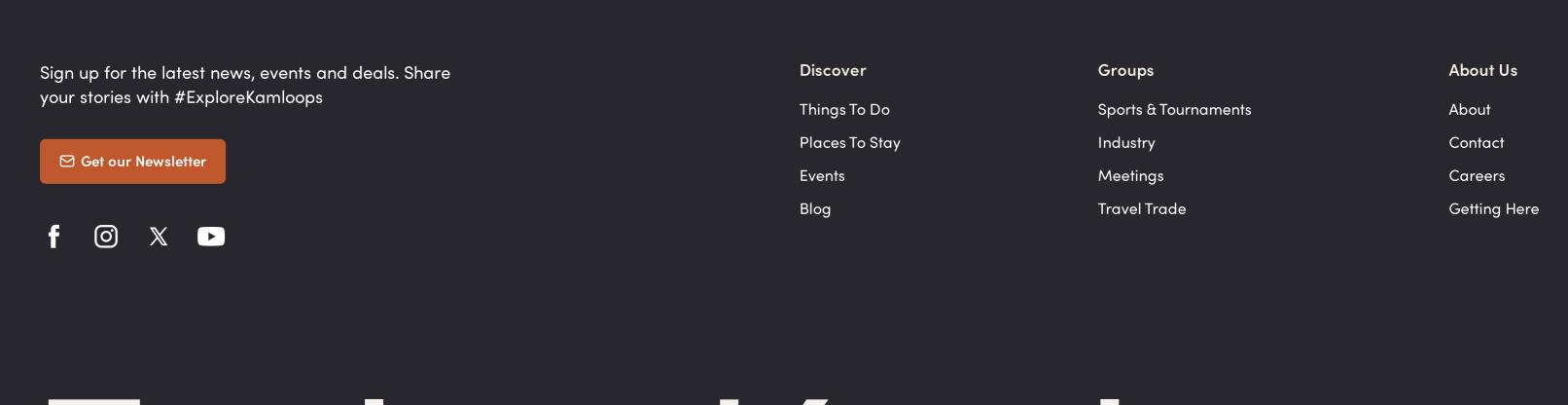
The Hockey Hall of Fame, presented by <u>Switchback Creek Development at Sun Peaks</u>, is coming to Kamloops, showcasing some of the most prized hockey artifacts and trophies usually only available at the Hockey Hall of Fame Toronto. Hockey fans can enjoy exciting and interactive exhibits and see the most prestigious silverware. Along with its iconic collection, the Hockey Hall of Fame offers unique experiences, such as Aboriginal Hockey and displays honouring esteemed Kamloops alums, including Shane Doan, Darryl Sydor, Jarome Iginla, Scott Niedermayer, and Mark Recchi, as well as Kamloops' rich hockey history. No matter your age, these offerings will captivate audiences of all ages.

**Insider Tip:** You won't want to miss the chance to snap a photo with the historic trophies! Make sure to dress to impress in your favourite jersey or team gear.

Whether you're a die-hard fan or just looking for a fun family activity, this exhibit is not to be missed. The Hockey Hall of Fame will be located at the Kelson Hall at 330 St. Paul St.



The 2023 Memorial Cup tournament in Kamloops promises to be an action-packed event, with a wide range of activities and theme days for families and kids to enjoy. From Locals Day and Youth Day to Eco-Day and Women's Day, there is something for everyone to enjoy and learn from.



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