

Buffalo, NY

Dec 5 - Dec 8, 2024



**NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP
FORMALLY KNOWN AS THE AA CUP**

TOURNAMENT PACKAGE

**2024 AA DIVISION- BUFFALO
BOYS & GIRLS DIVISIONS**



ABOUT THE THE CUP (AA)

Hosted in Buffalo, NY, The Cup is the most highly anticipated tournament and one of the biggest events in North America. The renowned The Cup (AAA) saw 180 AAA teams attend The North American Championship in January 2024, now the 2024 AA North American Championship this year is slated to surpass that. The Cup (AA) is the premiere AA North American Championship, previously known as “The AA Cup”, it is the number one AA event in North America and is famous for bringing teams from all over Canada and USA. as being close to the Canadian border allows for high attendance from both American and Canadian teams.

The Cup (AA) brings together top competition and offers a very unique attraction - Outdoor games! With new arenas being added, our Buffalo AA stop is expecting over 180 teams at the 2024 edition! The Cup elevate the experience from just being about the game on the ice to a comprehensive spectacle that encompasses outdoor games, distinctive off-ice activities, and more. We recognize that hockey tournaments should be an immersive event, this is where you want to play!

WHAT DO WE DO?

The Cup brings teams from all over North America! 2023 brought teams from Colorado, Montreal, Toronto, New York, Boston, Philadelphia, and Anaheim; just to name a few! The Cup, is run by the esteemed Prospects by Sports Illustrated, known for the exceptional quality of events run! You know that your tournament experience will be exceptional in all aspects from the moment your team applies to play at The Cup!





DIVISIONS

BOYS

2009 AA/Tier 2

2010 AA/Tier 2

2011 AA/Tier 2

2012 AA/Tier 2

2013 AA/Tier 2

2014 AA/Tier 2

2015 AA/Tier 2

GIRLS

U18 Girls AA

U16 Girls AA

U14 Girls AA

U12 Girls AA



TOURNAMENT COST

$\$2250 + 8.75\% \text{ TAX} = \2447 USD

\$500 Non-refundable deposit is required at the time of registration.

Final Payment due September 1st, 2024





TOURNAMENT FEATURES



OUTDOOR GAMES

Select games are played on the beautiful outdoor facilities in Buffalo



STICKER TRADING

To promote sportsmanship & having fun, players can trade stickers to win big prizes



4 GAME MINIMUM

Teams are guaranteed to play at least 4 games during the tournament weekend



ALL-STAR SCOUTING

PSI scouts will be in attendance at this event, with early acceptance invites



PRE-TOURNAMENT TIMELINE

PRE-TOURNAMENT DEADLINES ARE VERY IMPORTANT. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR TEAM KEEPS UP WITH THESE TIMELINES TO ENSURE A SMOOTH AND ENJOYABLE TOURNAMENT EXPERIENCE.

SEPTEMBER 1ST: ALL TEAMS PAID IN FULL

- Any team registering after SEPT 15TH must pay in full
- Any team who has paid a deposit must pay remainder of registration fee before the 15th to keep their spot in the tournament.

SEPTEMBER 15TH: LOGOS FOR STICKER TRADING CONTEST

- Logos for stickers have to be submitted via dashboard or emailed to tdesilva@prospectsbysi.com

OCTOBER 20TH: TRAVEL PERMITS & OFFICIAL ROSTERS

- All teams MUST have a Hockey Canada or USAH approved roster.
- Upload both documents to dashboard, or email to tdesilva@prospectsbysi.com

OCTOBER 28TH: ALL TRAVELLING TEAMS HOTELS BOOKED

- The Cup (AA) is a STAY TO PLAY tournament.
- ALL Hotels are available on the PSI website or on your [Eventconnect Team Dashboard](#)

NOVEMBER 18TH: TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE & DIVISIONS RELEASED

- Tournament schedule will be sent out 2 weeks prior to tournament.
- Divisions & age groups will be sent out with schedule.



TOURNAMENT EVENT SCHEDULE

THURSDAY DEC 5TH - SUNDAY DEC 8TH 2024



THURSDAY 5PM-9PM

OPENING CEREMONIES AT BUFFALO RIVERWORKS

- Outdoor games
- Fully operational restaurant and bar
- Tons of games and activities for players and their siblings
- Live Player Interviews
- Launch of the sticker trading contest.



FRIDAY 7AM-10PM

TOURNAMENT ROUND ROBIN GAMES

- All teams will play 2 games on Friday anywhere from 7am-10pm (no exceptions);
- Select outdoor games
- Pre-Post game interviews



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SUNDAY 8AM-5PM

PLAYOFFS AND CHAMPIONS TROPHY CEREMONIES

- Top teams in each division will play in playoff games
- All games on Sunday are playoff games
- Select games will have play by play and colour commentary;
- Pre/Post game interviews
- Quarter-finals*, Semi-finals, Finals
- Post-tournament recap
- Trophy Presentations



2023 CHAMPIONS



2008

Clarington Toros



2009

South Simcoe Storm



2010

West Seneca Wings



2011

West Seneca Wings



2013

Whitby Wildcats



2014

Tampa Bulls

2023
FINALIST
2013 DIVIS



STICKER TRADING CONTEST

THE CUP (AA) features a unique event for the players and siblings found only at PSI EVENTS. We have created embroidered stickers with each organization's logo attending THE CUP (AA) for the players to trade. The players participating in the sticker trading will have an experience they never forget.

The purpose of the embroidered sticker trading is to create an environment of cooperation, sportsmanship and friendship. We have also created many contests for trading that we hope will keep the players engaged in this spirit.

Included in each teams registration each player will be given before the start of the tournament 25 logo stickers of his team and a badge and lanyard on which to place the different stickers the player has traded for with other teams.

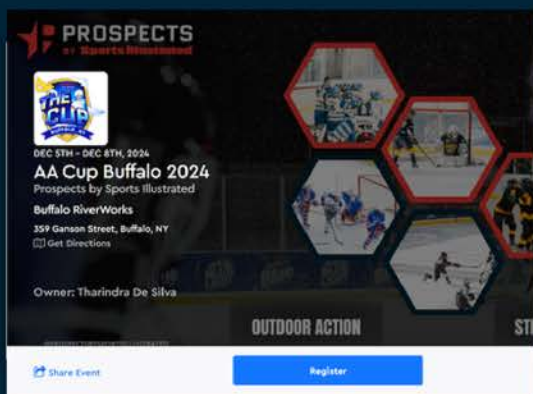
Players and teams may purchase additional stickers during the tournament for an additional fee if they run out and want to continue to collect all 97 different stickers.





PAYMENT & REGISTRATION

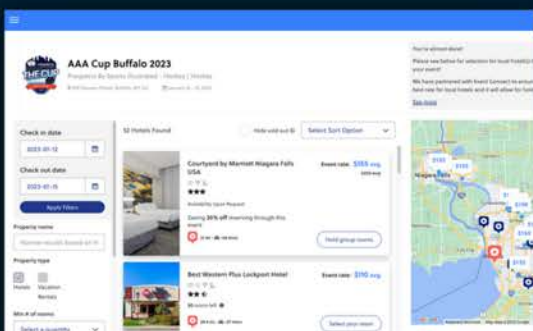
When you combine player registration with an instant hotel blocking experience that features top quality accommodations at the lowest contracted group rates available, teams and participants have everything they need to make an informed decision.



REGISTRATION

Powered by Eventconnect

We have partnered with Eventconnect to provide an easy and streamlined registration process. Team managers or coach's can register their teams and manage their teams hotels in one place.



HOTEL RESERVATIONS

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After registration create a team block at the tournament hotel of your choice for your team to reserve together. Share the Link with your entire team and they can book in your block or any of the tournament hotels.



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PROSPECTS
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- All PSI events are STAY TO PLAY. See all available hotels on the PSI website.
- Withdrawal from the tournament after August 1st forfeits all players deposit or payment.

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