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2022 Dairy Farmers of Manitoba Provincial Hockey Championships Set

Twelve high school hockey teams from across Manitoba will be vying for the right to call themselves 2022 Dairy Farmers of Manitoba Provincial High School Hockey Champions this weekend.

Participating teams in the AAAA Provincial Championships include the Lord Selkirk Royals, Portage Collegiate Trojans, St. Paul's Crusaders, Vincent Massey Collegiate Trojans (Winnipeg), Vincent Massey High School Vikings (Brandon), and the Westwood Warriors.

Action for all AAAA games will take place at the Selkirk Recreation Complex beginning this Friday, March 11. Semi-final action takes place on Saturday, March 12 with games at 1:30 pm and 3:30 pm, while the Championship Final gets underway on Monday, March 14, at 6:30 pm.

The AA Provincial Championships will be taking place in Russell beginning on Thursday, March 10. Participating teams include the Carman Cougars, Glenboro Wildcats, Killarney Raiders, Major Pratt Trojans (Russell), McCreary Mountaineers, and the Pembina Tigers.

All games will be played in Russell. Semi-finals take place on Friday, March 11 at 1:15 pm and 3:30 pm and the Bronze Medal Game will go at 11:00 am and the Championship Final will go at 1:30 pm on Saturday, March 12.

The St. Paul's Crusaders are the defending AAAA Provincial Champions, while the Morris Mavericks were the 2019 AA Provincial High School Hockey Champions.

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2022 Dairy Farmers of Manitoba AAAA Provincial High School Hockey Championship

Team Profiles

St. Paul's Crusaders (1)

Team Colours: Maroon/White **League win/lost record:** 21-3 **Overall record:** 27-4
Tournament record: Winnipeg High School Hockey League Champions
Coach's Name: Andrew Harder **Years Coaching:** 20 **Years Coaching High School:** 20
Provincial Championships record: 2019 – 1st, 2018 – 1st, 2017 – 1st, 2016 – 1st, 2015 – 2nd, 2014 – 1st

Players to Look For:

Jonah Norman: Forward, Captain, 5'10", 53 pts in 30 games. Shifty, quick and can make plays at speed. Tough to defend and can thread the puck through traffic to make plays. Great defensively, good back-checking hustle.

Elliot Lewis: Forward, Assistant Captain, 6', 30 pts in 30 games. Sees the ice extremely well, has a pure scorers touch around the net. Very dangerous in the slot, his speed helps in the defensive zone, can back-check with his speed.

Dylan Moon: Forward, Assistant Captain, 6'2", 43 pts in 30 games. Fast skater with the puck and can makes plays out of seemingly nothing. Explosive shot, sees the ice well and can put the puck on his teammates sticks with consistency.

Austin Manaigne: Defence, Assistant Captain, 6'2". Arguably the best offensive defencemen in the league. 25 pts in 20 games. Extremely quick and just needs a couple strides to blow past defenders. Heavy shot and scores from the point often. Can make big plays form the blue line and is key to success on the power play.

Describe your team and what type of game they play:

Offensively explosive but with a defence first mentality. We have many offensively gifted players that make it difficult for teams to defend. Our defencemen move the puck well and can make the transition from defence of offence quickly. We can play a tough, physical game and match other teams' intensity. Overall, a well-rounded team both offensively and defensively.



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Team Profiles

Westwood Warriors (2)

Team Colours: Maroon/Black/Grey

League win/lost record: 14-9-1

Overall record: 20-13-1

Tournament record: none

Coach's Name: Steve Christie

Years Coaching: 7

Years Coaching High School: 7

Provincial Championships record: 2010 – 3rd

Players to Look For:

Tristen Arnason: Centre, 5'8", fast, agile, good vision, leads team in scoring, 3rd in League scoring.

Jarrett Toss: Defence, 6'3", very mobile, physical, good shot, logs a lot of ice time, Playoff MVP.

Magnum Grindle: Winger, 6'2", good skater, good shot and third in team scoring, WSHL All-Star.

Describe your team and what type of game they play:

Team plays a tight checking style of game. Third in the WSHL in GAA. Team has a solid 1-2 punch in goal and very mobile and skilled defence. The team is strong on the powerplay, and penalty kill. They get contributions from all lines offensively.



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Team Profiles

Vincent Massey Collegiate Trojans (Winnipeg) (3)

Team Colours: White/Green/Black **League win/lost record:** 14-5-3-1-1 **Overall Record:** 16-6-1-4-1-1

Tournament record: none

Coach's Name: Brett Jocelyn

Years Coaching: 1

Years Coaching High School: 1

Provincial Championships record: 2017 – 2nd, 2016 – 2nd, 2010 – 1st

Players to Look For:

Matthew Lizotte: Forward, Assistant Captain. Dynamic highly skilled forward, at his best with the puck on his stick, uses his smart hockey IQ on both ends of the ice, makes smart defensive plays that lead to scoring opportunities for himself or his teammates.

Jacob Flood: Defence, Assistant Captain. Former rookie of the year winner in 2019-2020, talented puck moving defencemen who looks to make the smart plays. He slows the game down and allows the play to come to him, makes difficult plays look easy, plays in all game situations

Ethan Mariano: Forward, Captain. Triple sport athlete, playing varsity volleyball, basketball, and hockey. Leads a talented and spirited bunch on and off the ice with his high level of play and conduct.

Describe your team and what type of game they play:

Team runs a dynamic system that pressures teams to make mental mistakes. We have three balanced lines that bring a different element each, completing their whole team game. A veteran led team with several highly skilled players all over the ice. Team offence starts in the backend with a very well-rounded D core. As for the back end, the team has solidified a 1A, 1B goalie tandem. The two-goalie system worked well all year.



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Team Profiles

Lord Selkirk Royals (4)

Team Colours: Blue/White **League win/lost record:** 12-12 **Overall Record:** 15-12
Tournament record: Morris Mavericks Invitational Champions
Coach's Name: Michael Buffie **Years Coaching:** 12 **Years Coaching High School:** 6
Provincial Championships record:

Players to Look For:

Nathan Burzynski: Skilled goal scorer, that can make defenders miss. 41 pts in 24 games.

Tanner Skypnyk: Physical defender with a heavy shot. 15 pts, in 23 games.

Ashton Henry: Team Captain and leader of the team, strong two-way presence. 22 pts, in 24 games.

Describe your team and what type of game they play:

Skilled and fast team that plays a strong possession game. Offence uses its skill and speed to be a threat to score on the rush. A physical team defensively that makes the opposing team earn scoring opportunities. Strong goaltending helps to solidify the defensive zone.

Vincent Massey High School Vikings (Brandon) (5)

Team Colours: Purple/Black/White **League win/lost record:** 26-6-2 **Overall record:** 28-7-2
Tournament record: none
Coach's Name: Brent Blaine **Years Coaching:** 20+ **Years Coaching High School:** 4
Provincial Championships record: 2018 – Semi-Finals

Players to Look for:

Matt Stephens: Goalie, 6'4", .935 save percentage, GAA of 2.42, Co-Captain.

Evan White: Forward, 6'2", quick on his feet, never gives up, slick moves, Co-Captain.

Porter Ewert: 5'11", smooth skater, shifty and great shot.

Describe your team and what type of game they play:

Our players have bought into the element of team that our coaches are trying to instill. Our theme this year is HIC: *Humility, Integrity, Courage*. This group is determined, constantly punches above their weight class, and play the game with respect for their opponents, official and coaches.



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Team Profiles

Portage Collegiate Trojans (6)

Team Colours: Maroon/Gold

League win/lost record: 19-3

Overall record: 19-3

Tournament record: none

Coach's Name: Dave Van Deynze

Years Coaching: 15

Years Coaching High School: 1

Provincial Championships record:

Players to Look For:

Layne Rands: 6'2", Forward, Zone 4 High School Hockey League MVP.

Carson Dubois: 6'2", Forward, Assistant Captain, Zone 4 High School Hockey League Playoff MVP.

Alex Van Deynze: 6'3", Forward, team's leading scorer.

Carter Moorhouse 5'11", Defence, Captain.

Describe your team and what type of game they play:

The Trojan's success this year has been due to disciplined play, including the lowest penalty minutes in the League. Solid defensive play, hard-working, strong forecheck, a well-balanced team.



Past Provincial High School Hockey Champions

Year	AA	AAAA
2020-2021	No Champion – Pandemic	No Champion - Pandemic
2019-2020	No Champion – Pandemic	No Champion - Pandemic
2018-2019	Morris Mavericks	St. Paul's Crusaders
2017-2018	Mountain Mustangs	St. Paul's Crusaders
2016-2017	Carman Cougars	St. Paul's Crusaders
2015-2016	Mountain Mustangs	St. Paul's Crusaders
2014-2015	Morris Mavericks	Oak Park Raiders
2013-2014	Neepawa Tigers	St. Paul's Crusaders
2012-2013	Neepawa Tigers	John Taylor Pipers
2011-2012	Neepawa Tigers	St. Paul's Crusaders
2010-2011	Morris Mavericks	Oak Park Raiders
2009-2010	Killarney Raiders	Vincent Massey Trojans (Winnipeg)
2008-2009	Killarney Raiders	Oak Park Raiders
2007-2008	Mountain Mustangs	St. Paul's Crusaders
2006-2007	Mountain Mustangs	St. Paul's Crusaders
2005-2006	Killarney/Wawanesa	Garden Valley Zodiacs (Winkler)
2004-2005	Rivers/Elton	Crocus Plains Plainsmen (Brandon)
2003-2004	Mountain Mustangs	St. John's Ravenscourt Eagles
2002-2003	Mountain Mustangs	St. John's Ravenscourt Eagles

2001-2002	Birtle Falcons	Silver Heights Huskies
2000-2001	Major Pratt Trojans (Russell)	River East Kodiaks
1999-2000	W.C. Miller Aces (Altona)	Stonewall Rams
1998-1999	Minnedosa Chancellors	Lorette Scorpions
1997-1998	Morden Thunder	Lorette Scorpions
1996-1997	Major Pratt Trojans (Russell)	Lorette Scorpions
1995-1996	Major Pratt Trojans (Russell)	River East Kodiaks
1994-1995		Stonewall Rams
1993-1994		River East Kodiaks
1992-1993		St. Paul's Crusaders



2022 Dairy Farmers of Manitoba AA Provincial Hockey Championships

Russell

Pool A

A1: Killarney/Wawanesa Raiders
A2: GCB Wildcats
A3: Pembina Tigers

Pool B

B1: Carman Cougars
B2: Major Pratt Trojans
B3: M/S Mountaineers

Thursday, March 10

9:30 am Game 1: **Carman Cougars** vs M/S Mountaineers
11:30 am Game 2: **Killarney/Wawanesa Raiders** vs Pembina Tigers
1:30 pm Game 3: **Major Pratt Trojans** vs M/S Mountaineers
3:30 pm Game 4: **GCB Wildcats** vs Pembina Tigers
5:30 pm Game 5: **Carman Cougars** vs Major Pratt Trojans
7:30 pm Game 6: **Killarney/Wawanesa Raiders** vs GCB Wildcats

Friday, March 11

11:00 am Consolation Final: Third in Pool A vs Third in Pool B
1:15 pm Semi Final 1: **First in Pool A** vs Second in Pool B
3:30 pm Semi Final 2: **First in Pool B** vs Second in Pool A

Saturday, March 12

11:00 am Bronze Medal Game
1:30 pm Championship Final

NOTES:

- *Thursday Games: Two 15 minute periods and one 20 minute period.*
- *Friday and Saturday Games: Three 20 minute periods.*
- ***HOME team indicated in bold.** The HOME team is the higher ranked/seeded team on the draw. The home team will wear their white sweaters.*



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Selkirk

Pool A

A1: St. Paul's Crusaders

A2: Lord Selkirk Royals

A3: Vincent Massey Vikings (Brandon)

Pool B

B1: Westwood Warriors

B2: Vincent Massey Trojans (Winnipeg)

B3: Portage Trojans

Round Robin – Friday, March 11

9:00 am **Westwood Warriors** vs Portage Trojans

11:00 am **St. Paul's Crusaders** vs Vincent Massey Vikings (Brandon)

1:00 pm **Vincent Massey Trojans (Winnipeg)** vs Portage Trojans

3:00 pm **Lord Selkirk Royals** vs Vincent Massey Vikings (Brandon)

5:00 pm **Westwood Warriors** vs Vincent Massey Trojans (Winnipeg)

7:00 pm **St. Paul's Crusaders** vs Lord Selkirk Royals

Semi Finals – Saturday, March 12

1:30 pm **First in Pool A** vs Second in Pool B

3:30 pm **First in Pool B** vs Second in Pool A

Championship Final – Monday, March 14

6:30 pm Championship Final

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