

U18 Year End Report for the 2023-2024 Season  
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The U18 season was an overall success. We had 5 teams of around 15 players each – variations were caused by players who withdrew or who moved to the rep team after teams had been formed. Each team had a head coach, two assistant coaches, one or two team managers and some safeties. There were three First Aid certified people spread across the 5 teams. Teams were created using a balancing approach and a blind draft. We used two weeks of evaluation groups to form initial “teams” and an additional two weeks of balancing games before teams were finalized. Due to the changes to the player rosters after the teams were balanced game play was sometimes very close and sometimes not so much.

All five teams were able to attend out of town tournaments. We had a successful home tournament with 7 out of town teams attending from Campbell River, Cloverdale, Juan de Fuca, Lake Cowichan, Nanaimo, Sunshine Coast and Victoria. The division participated in several exhibition games with Powell River in Comox and a couple of exhibition games with Campbell River – in Comox and in Campbell River.