



2026 CANADIAN HOWLERS

U18 ARGENTINA

TOUR

NEW PLACES.
NEW CHALLENGES.
LIFELONG
BROTHERHOOD.



**CANADIAN
HOWLERS
RUGBY**
"It's more than a game"



ONE
TOUR.

ONE
TEAM.

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ABOUT US:

The Canadian Howlers (formerly the Dog River Howlers) are an invitational men's and women's rugby club based in Regina Saskatchewan, Canada.

Some 460 men and women 7's players and over 150 15's men's players from 10 Canadian provinces and 1 territory along with 20 countries have played for the Howlers. They have competed in 74 men and women's youth and senior tournaments of which they have won 29 that were held in 10 countries (Canada, USA, Mexico, Germany, Cuba, Barbados, Trinidad and Tobago, Columbia, Nicaragua, and Guatemala) since 2017.

The Howlers have had 52 different accomplished coaches from 8 countries including 10 who coached the national teams of Canada, Germany, Samoa, Fiji, Barbados, Guyana, Netherlands, and Australia. Canadian international capped players (men) who have played with the Howlers: 36

Canadian International capped players (women) who have played with the Howlers: 27

International capped players from other countries: 12 (Fiji, Chile, Venezuela, Mexico, Guatemala, Cuba, Barbados, Jamaica, Netherlands, Nicaragua, and Columbia) Notable being Waisali Serevi of Fiji, often called the greatest to play rugby 7s.

Off the Pitch:

Since 2007, the Howlers have helped to raise over \$2,000,000 for various rugby and non rugby causes. Helping children with disabilities, women and children experiencing abuse, providing life skills and training, and those in need of disaster relief in Canada and around the globe.

Tours to Cuba (5), Columbia (6), Nicaragua (3), and Guatemala (2) we have donated countless rugby supplies including full team kit for national teams in Rwanda, Cuba, and Nicaragua.

Over the years we have also had a group of over 600 supporters join the "Howlers family" and have travelled with the team to take in the "Howlers Experience."



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HOWLERS CLUB BADGE

- Harvest Moon
 - Represents the stark beauty of the Prairies, and in turn, the essence of rugby and life itself.
- Traditional Prairie Grain Elevator
 - Symbolizes the cooperative spirit of early pioneers who survived—and prospered—in a harsh environment. This same cooperative spirit defines rugby, where success depends on collective effort, resilience, and trust. The lesson applies equally to everyday life.
- The Coyote
 - A prairie animal that lives in a pack yet often hunts alone—much like rugby, where individuals have specific responsibilities within a unified team. In rugby, as in life, we work together while each person plays a vital individual role.

"Individual commitment to a group effort that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work."

Vince Lombardi

HOWLERS COLORS:

Red - color of the Canadian flag

Orange - color the Prairies' harvest moon.

Black - color of the Prairies' midnight sky

HONORARY CAPTAIN:

Lorne Cardinal, who played the beloved police officer in CTV's award-winning comedy series *Corner Gas*, serves as the Dog River Howlers' Honorary Captain. A passionate rugby man, Lorne acquired the rights to the Dog River name from Prairie Pants Productions Inc., the producers of *Corner Gas*.

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FROM THE FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT:

To everyone involved with the Howlers U18 Argentina Tour,

With the input of coaches from accross the country we selected a group of young "up and comers" from 6 provinces and a Canadian qualified player from the UK for this tour to Argentina .

Although this is not an official national team, we feel that this group of young men are some of the premier Canadian U18 players who will proudly represent our country.

They will be led and supported by an accomplished coaching management and medical team .

With the support of the former Argentina director of rugby Les Cusworth along the diligent work of tour advisor Anahi Fox we are playing some of the premier clubs in the country while also taking in many local sites and experiences. One of these " experiences" is an international game between Argentina and South Africa that without the help of local rugby great Lucas Camacho would not be possible!

We hope that this tour will again strike newfound friendships that will result in further exchanges between our countries.

Last but certainly not least, thanks to the sponsors: Don Carson , the Canadian Rugby Foundation , Eddie Evans/Friends of BC Rugby, Roger Gay, Denis Jones, Kevin Knight, Rick Powers, Dave Robertson, Matt Sauder, Tim Young and Gren Thomas who with their generous financial support helped make this tour possible.

Thanks also to the 37 tour supporters who made the trip !

Kind regards and all the best,
Karl Fix
President of the Canadian Howlers



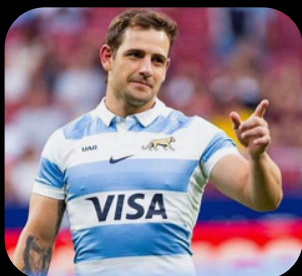
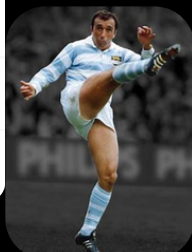
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CANADA VS ARGENTINA OVER THE YEARS



 Canada	22-15	 Argentina	2:00pm Saturday, 2nd July 2005
 Argentina	62-22	 Canada	7:00pm Saturday, 30th August 2003
 Canada	6-20	 Argentina	4:00pm Saturday, 26th May 2001
 Argentina	54-28	 Canada	2:30pm Saturday, 22nd August 1998
 Canada	21-41	 Argentina	2:30pm Saturday, 21st September 1996
 Argentina	29-26	 Canada	2:30pm Friday, 10th March 1995
 Argentina	15-19	 Canada	3:00pm Saturday, 16th June 1990
 Canada	15-6	 Argentina	3:00pm Friday, 30th March 1990



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TOUR SUPPORTERS

Bruce Anderson (Calgary AB)
+ Brandon Balodis (Pictou County NS)
+ Mallory Balodis (Pictou County NS)
+ Terri Balodis (Pictou County NS)
+ Ivan Barron (Aurora ONT)
+ Stacey Barron (Aurora ONT)
Kevin Blanchette (Calgary AB)
Canadian Rugby Foundation
+ Charlene Dent (UK)
+ Henry Dent (UK)
+ Nick Dent (UK)
Karl Fix (Regina SK) club president
* Ken From (Regina SK)
+ Heather Greal (Niagara On The Lake ONT)
+ Jim Greal (Niagara On The Lake ONT)
+ Isabelle Grisdale Grondine (Shawnigan Lake BC)
+ * Charles Huisamen (Comox BC) also team doctor
+ * Brooklyn Jones (Mill Bay BC)

*previous Howlers Tour Supporter

+ * Denis Jones (Mill Bay BC)
+ * Lindsay Jones (Mill Bay BC)
+ * Madison Jones (Mill Bay BC)
Dave Jukes (Moose Jaw SK)
+ * Jared McDougald (Regina SK)
David Miller (Toronto ONT)
Avery Patenaude (Saskatoon SK)
Carli Patenaude (Saskatoon SK) Howlers player and secretary
Cori Patenaude (Saskatoon SK)
Dan Patenaude (Saskatoon SK)
+ Tina Policelli (Toronto ONT)
+ Cole Raino (Toronto ONT)
+ Elaine Raino (Toronto ONT)
+ Scott Raino (Toronto ONT)
Dan Rashowich (Regina SK)
* Greg Toews (Regina SK)
Ian Yeates (Regina SK)
Elaine Young (Fort Qu'Appelle SK)
* Tim Young (Regina SK)

+parent of relative of player



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TOUR SCHEDULE

Thurs Aug 6 - arrive in Buenos Aires

Friday Aug 7 - 2 training sessions . At 6:30 pm a fun low contact game against Pampas Rugby Club made up of mixed abilities players

Sat Aug 8 - morning training session . In the afternoon take in South Africa vs Argentina international game .

Sun Aug 9 - morning training session. 3:00 pm game vs U18 Virreyes Rugby Club

Mon Aug 10 - 2 training sessions

Tues Aug 11 - morning training . Afternoon guided city tour .

Wed Aug 12 - morning training . 8:00 pm game vs U18 San Isidro (S.I. C.) Rugby Club

Thursday Aug 13 - 2 training sessions . Later afternoon guided tour of River Platte Stadium

Frid Aug 14 - 2 training sessions

Sat Aug 15 - 10:00 am game vs U18 Hindu Rugby Club . Afternoon go with Hindu players to watch their premier team vs Belgrano Athletic Club .

Sun Aug 16 - day tour of Tigre area (lake and islands) . At 5:30 the tour windup for the entire touring group (team and supporters) at Hindu Rugby Club .

Mon Aug 17 - fly home



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ROSTER

- 99 - Junoir Atalifo/Prop
- 98 - Declan Anderson/Wing/Fullback
- 97 - Kalem Balodis/Back row
- 96 - Kelan Barron/Flyhalf
- 95 - Declan Bowman/Scrumhalf
- 94 - Henry Budden/Prop
- 93 - Jamie Dent/Backrow
- 92 - Caden Du Plessis/Backrow
- 91 - Mason Durant/Backrow
- 90 - Liam de Goede/Centre
- 89 - Kyler Good/Backrow
- 88 - Connor Graham/Backrow
- 87 - Nolan Grealty/Centre
- 86 - Brendan Grisdale/Scrumhalf
- 85 - Cohen Huisamen/Second Row
- 84 - Naithan Hurd/Second Row
- 83 - Logan Jones/Wing/Fullback
- 82 - Sam Meikle/Prop
- 81 - Bohdan Morris/Second Row
- 80 - Desmond Murray/Centre
- 79 - Lucas Peddle/Wing/Fullback
- 78 - Oliver Policelli/Centre
- 77 - Jack Porter/Prop
- 76 - Aidan Raino/Prop
- 75 - Holden Sawatzky/Second Row
- 74 - Cameron Seed/Hooker
- 73 - Grady Curran/Hooker
- 72 - Luke Thomson/Wing/Fullback
- 71 - Daniel Turvey/Flyhalf
- 70 - Sydney Webb/Centre
- 69 - Will Young/Wing/Fullback

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U18 HOWLERS ROSTER



Name: Junoir Atalifo
Number: 99
Position: Prop
Height: 6'2"
Weight: 285 lbs
Hometown: Fort McMurray, AB



Name: Declan Anderson
Number: 98
Position: Wing/Fullback
Height: 6'3"
Weight: 175 lbs
Hometown: Duncan, BC



Name: Kalem Balodis
Number: 97
Position: Backrow
Height: 6'3"
Weight: 220 lbs
Hometown: Pictou, NS



Name: Kelan Barron
Number: 96
Position: Flyhalf
Height: 5'11"
Weight: 175 lbs
Hometown: Holland Landing, ON

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Name: Declan Bowman
Number: 95
Position: Scrumhalf
Height: 5'10"
Weight: 165 lbs
Hometown: Oakville, ON



Name: Henry Budden
Number: 94
Position: Prop
Height: 5'11"
Weight: 235 lbs
Hometown: St. Johns, NFLD



Name: Jamie Dent
Number: 93
Position: Back Row
Height: 6'2"
Weight: 200 lbs
Hometown: Bath, UK



Name: Caden Du Plessis
Number: 92
Position: Back Row
Height: 6'4"
Weight: 235 lbs
Hometown: Oakville, ON

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Name: Mason Durant
Number: 91
Position: Back Row
Height: 6'2"
Weight: 225 lbs
Hometown: Glenmont, NS



Name: Liam DeGoede
Number: 90
Position: Centre
Height: 6'
Weight: 175 lbs
Hometown: White Rock, BC



Name: Kyler Good
Number: 89
Position: Back Row
Height: 6'
Weight: 200 lbs
Hometown: White Rock, BC



Name: Connor Graham
Number: 88
Position: Back Row
Height: 6'1"
Weight: 215 lbs
Hometown: Calgary, AB

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Name: Nolan Grealy

Number: 87

Position: Centre

Height: 6'1"

Weight: 210 lbs

Hometown: Niagara on the Lake, ON



Name: Brendan Grisdale

Number: 86

Position: Scrumhalf

Height: 6'

Weight: 165 lbs

Hometown: Mill Bay, BC



Name: Cohen Huisamen

Number: 85

Position: Second Row

Height: 6'5"

Weight: 230 lbs

Hometown: Comox, BC



Name: Naithan Hurd

Number: 84

Position: Second Row

Height: 6'5"

Weight: 215 lbs

Hometown: Oakville, ON

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Name: Logan Jones
Number: 83
Position: Back Three
Height: 5'11"
Weight: 180 lbs
Hometown: Mill Bay, BC



Name: Sam Meilke
Number: 82
Position: Prop
Height: 6'
Weight: 235 lbs
Hometown: Toronto, ON



Name: Bohdan Morris
Number: 81
Position: Second Row
Height: 6'4"
Weight: 225 lbs
Hometown: White Rock, BC



Name: Desmond Murray
Number: 80
Position: Centre
Height: 6'2"
Weight: 195 lbs
Hometown: Victoria, BC

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Name: Lucas Paddle
Number: 79
Position: Back Three
Height: 6'
Weight: 175 lbs
Hometown: Mississauga, ON



Name: Oliver Policelli
Number: 78
Position: Centre
Height: 5'9"
Weight: 190 lbs
Hometown: Aurora, ON



Name: Jack Porter
Number: 77
Position: Prop
Height: 6'4"
Weight: 260 lbs
Hometown: Toronto, ON



Name: Aidan Raino
Number: 76
Position: Prop
Height: 6'
Weight: 235 lbs
Hometown: Toronto, ON

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Name: Holden Sawatzky
Number: 75
Position: Second Row
Height: 6'5"
Weight: 235 lbs
Hometown: Vancouver, BC



Name: Cameron Seed
Number: 74
Position: Hooker
Height: 6'
Weight: 195 lbs
Hometown: Port Coquitlam, BC



Name: Grady Curran
Number: 73
Position: Hooker
Height: 6'
Weight: 225 lbs
Hometown: Kelowna, BC



Name: Luke Thomson
Number: 72
Position: Back Three
Height: 5'8"
Weight: 175 lbs
Hometown: Saskatoon, SK



Name: Daniel Turvey
Number: 71
Position: Flyhalf
Height: 6'
Weight: 185 lbs
Hometown: Kamloops, BC



Name: Sydney Webb
Number: 70
Position: Centre
Height: 6'1"
Weight: 190 lbs
Hometown: Mississauga, ON



Name: Will Young
Number: 69
Position: Back Three
Height: 6'3"
Weight: 190 lbs
Hometown: Surrey, BC



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Coaching Staff



Mike Curran
Co Head Coach

Current: Mississauga Blues RFC, Head coach
Streetsville Secondary School, Defence coach
University of Guelph Men's Rugby
Previous: U18 Rugby Canada coach and director,
Ontario U19 Head Coach, University of Toronto Head
Coach



Clay Panga
Co Head Coach

Experience: numerous caps for the Howlers,
Manukau County U20 in NZ, BC Bears, Prairie
Wolfpack, RC Maple Leaf 7s, RC 15s.
Coaching: Howlers, Shawnigan lake School, Canada
Men's U20, NZ international Coaching Academy, Dir.
Vancouver Island Tide



Angel Cividanes
Scrummage Coach

Experience: played for Curupayti Rugby Club in
Buenos Aires, Meralomas Rugby Club
Coaching: Curupayti U18, Meralomas Rugby Club,
BC Bears, Bayside Sharks Rugby Club, Burnaby Lake
Rugby Club



Michael McTighe
Assistant Coach

Experience: played with Alberta Wolfpack, Calgary
Hornets Team Canada 7's FISU World University
Games
Coaching: U17 and U18 Alberta Wolfpack 15's, U18
Alberta Wolfpack 7's, Deep South Regional Team 7's
and 15's, F.P. Walshe High School in Fort McLeod
ALTA

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Coaching Staff



Name: Ashley Albert
Mentorship Coach

Playing Experience: University of Lethbridge, North Saskatchewan, Team Saskatchewan 7s
Coaching Experience: Meadow Lake She Devils RFC U15 and U18, Meadow Lake El Diablos RFC U15 and U18



Name: Aiden Jones
Mentorship Coach

Playing Experience: two tours with Howlers, Shawnigan Lake School co-captain and player of the year, BC 15s U16 and U18, Rugby Canada U18 Commonwealth Games
Coaching Experience: BC Grassroots Coach, Tsunami 7's Assistant Coach

Medical Staff



Name: Charles Huisamen
Hometown: Comox, BC
Position: Team Doctor

Played high level provincial rugby in South Africa. Regina Rogues.
Previous team doctor for the Howlers, Prairie Fire RFC, Shawnigan Lake School, and Rugby Canada teams. An emergency medicine specialist



Name: Sheena Kelly
Position: Physiotherapist

Work: Contract Athletic Therapist BC Rugby
Head Athletic Therapist Castaway Wanderers Rugby Club, Instructional Assistant Camoson College.
Education: Concordia University
Bachelor of Science - BS (Athletic Training/Trainer).
Dawson College DEC (Health Science)

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Team Managers and Staff



Leo Lane

Hometown: Regina, SK

Position: Team Manager

Player: Canadian Navy RFC, Regina Rogues RFC

Coaching: Rugby Saskatchewan U19

Management: Has been Howlers tour manager for over 30 tours. Former Rugby Canada Super League
Prairie Fire RFC Manager
President Rugby Saskatchewan



Nathan Sgrazutti

Hometown: Calgary, AB

Position: Team Manager

As a player besides on numerous Howlers tours. Prairie Fire RFC, U of Saskatchewan, Calgary Saints, Saskatoon Gophers, Regina Highlanders

Coach: Rugby Saskatchewan women, Rugby Saskatchewan U18.

Management: President of Saskatoon Gophers, Regina Highlanders and U of Regina rugby clubs
Commissioner of Prairie Men's Rugby Championship, Rugby Saskatchewan



Name: Chris Graham

Hometown: Regina, SK

Position: Photographer/Videographer

Education: Southern Alberta Institute of Technology
2 year diploma

Some of his clients: The Globe & Mail, The National Post, CNW Group, Huffington Post, Canadian Red Cross, The Lawyers Weekly, Brooklyn Vegan, Sask Music, Regina Folk Festival, Ten Tree Apparel, Look Matters, Saskatchewan NDP, Prairie Dog Magazine.

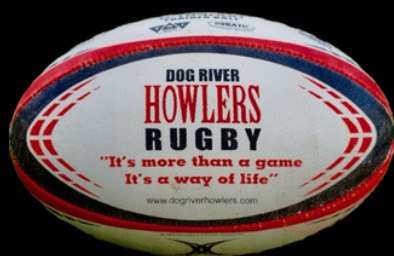
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