



Victoria Bach

Bach named to Canadian women's development team once again

Victoria Bach has once again been chosen to don the red and white. No stranger to representing her country, Milton's speedy centre was named to the national women's U22 development team for a second straight year Sunday following the training camp in Calgary. Bach's now in Lake Placid, NY for the annual three-

game Canada-U.S. summer showdown that began last night. She had two assists in a tough 0-3 series last year. "I was really excited and happy to make the team. It was a tough training camp," said Bach, who with 18 goals for Boston University was the top-scoring D-1 freshman in the entire NCAA last season. The 2014-15

campaign also saw her lead Canada's development team with five goals and an assist in its gold-medal run at the Nations Cup in Füssen, Germany. "Anytime I can put on the red and white jersey and represent Canada is an unbelievable feeling." The Canada-U.S. series continues on Friday and Saturday.



Sports

Strong bid delivered for U17 World Challenge

Struthers finishes atop scoring at summer showcase

By Steve LeBlanc
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Matthew Struthers' Hockey Canada Summer Showcase performance were compared to a court trial, the evidence looks awfully compelling. To say he made a strong case for his inclusion at this fall's World Under-17 Hockey Challenge would be well, putting it mildly. A third-round pick of the Owen Sound Attack this spring, the 15-year-old Miltonian finished top overall scoring at the development camp in Calgary.



Matthew Struthers competes at the recent Hockey Canada U17 development camp in Calgary, finishing atop overall scoring with seven points. James Emery / Hockey Canada

His seven-points-in-three-games campaign for eventual champion Team White included four goals — two of the shorthanded variety, and a couple more in a 6-5 overtime triumph over Team Green in the championship clash. "We (Team White) came together well as a team," said Struthers, who as a Boxing Day baby was the youngest of the 111 1999-born players who are now vying for one of the 66 spots (on three

regional Canadian teams) for the world challenge in Dawson Creek and Fort St. John, B.C. in early November. The rosters are expected to be announced sometime next month. "We had a good group of players, including some from my league, which definitely helped. "I think I gave myself a pretty good chance (to make the cut)." A captain and point-a-game producer with last season's Halton Hurricanes, Struthers was es-

Another national title for field hockey star

Babineau helps Ontario defend its Under-16 gold

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Less than two years after first picking up the J-shaped stick, Madison Babineau wasn't content to merely crack the Ontario U16 field hockey roster. After all, she'd done that last summer. "Making the team last year was big, but I wanted to have more of a leadership role this time," explained the 15-year-old Miltonian. That heightened expectation of herself speaks volumes about how far Babineau has come in such a short time. Already enjoying a list of accolades normally reserved for seasoned competitors, the soon-to-be 11th grader at Craig Kielburger Secondary School added to her growing hardware haul recently in Brampton. A co-captain and offensive anchor



Madison Babineau competes at the Under-16 national championships. Supplied photo

with Ontario Red (first-entry squad), she played a huge set-up role in an eventual unbeaten run to a Canadian U16 championship three-peat. "I'm more of the playmaker," said Babineau, who had one goal in a 7-1 semifinal rout of British Columbia White. "They don't really record-

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