

Bantam Clippers primed for all-Ontario tournament

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The Stouffville bantam Clippers have not been resting since winning the Ontario Minor Hockey Association A title 17 days ago.

Far from it. The Clippers leave Stouffville today for this weekend's all-Ontario championships in New Liskeard.

During their break, the Clippers held dryland workouts and on-ice practices about three hours apart to try and replicate what they'll feel in two-a-day games at the tournament.

Darren McConaghy, strength and conditioning co-ordinator with the defending American Hockey League champion Hamilton Bulldogs, "set the tone at

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Clipper OHF log

Friday, April 11

• vs. Vaughan Panthers, 10 a.m.
• vs. Walden Devils, 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 12

• vs. Cambridge Hawks, 9 a.m.
• vs. Temiskaming, 3 p.m.

Sunday, April 13

• Semifinals at 8 and 10 a.m.
• Final at 3 p.m.

our initial workout and the team's just continued to feed off of it," Clippers assistant coach Darryl Sauro said.

"Not a complaint, not a player missing, not one 'I'm too tired'. It's a testament to their goal of bringing home the gold," Sauro said.

The Clippers open the Ontario Hockey Federation A-level tournament tomorrow morning against fellow York Region qualifiers, the Vaughan Panthers.

The Clippers won the OMHA, which includes most of southern Ontario, by sweeping Southpoint in the final. Vaughan is Greater Toronto Hockey League champs.

League champions Cambridge and Walden, from near Sudbury, plus host Temiskaming Shores are the other teams taking part.

"We expect to win," Sauro said. "To say we're going there to settle for anything less would be an injustice to this group of young men."

All season long we've been building towards this goal and now they earned themselves that opportunity."

"They say success is when preparation meets opportunity; they've been given the preparation and earned the opportunity. Now, it's up to them."

As for the competition,

the Clippers beat Walden 2-1 and lost to Temiskaming 5-3 at a Silver Stick qualifier in Sudbury in December before the Stouffville team took a European tour.

"I think we've come a long way since then and

our team chemistry is much tighter, and dedication to winning much higher," said Sauro, who is also goalie coach with the Stouffville Spirit Jr. A team.

"We haven't played Vaughan or Cambridge, but

we have had the opportunity to do some advanced scouting since earning our birth at the OHFs.

"Every team deserves to be at this competition as much as we do and no team will be taken lightly."

Port Credit defeated Temiskaming in last year's bantam final. Stouffville won the title in 1992.

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