



## **REPORT OF JUNIOR A DIVISION AND MINTO CUP 2012.**

The 2012 season marked the first season that the Junior A Division did not play an interlocking schedule with the Senior Division.

The four teams played an 18 game schedule, followed by play-offs. The Okotoks Raiders finished first by winning the final game of the year with the Mounties finishing second. The final went seven games, won by the Calgary Mounties, before a packed arena at Indus, on August 14.

Two days later the Mounties found themselves flying to the Minto Cup in Whitby Ontario.

The Mounties played very well at times but struggled offensively for much of the Minto and did not win any of the three games they played against Coquitlam or the two Ontario teams. The result was somewhat disappointing but confirmed areas where there is still work to be done to raise the game in Alberta to play at the highest level.

The Junior Mounties are to be congratulated for their first Alberta Junior A Championship and for representing Alberta with pride and sportsmanship at the Minto.

At the Minto, there were meetings held which appear to have resulted in a new three year Minto Cup agreement with the signatories being the CLA, the BCLA, the OLA and the ALA. The next Minto Cup in Alberta is scheduled for 2014.