

Inside the Club HUMBOLDT Stingrays



BUILDING COMMUNITY AND CONFIDENCE IN THE WATER

Founded in 2023, the Humboldt Stingrays Water Polo Club has quickly become one of Saskatchewan's fastest-growing programs. Starting with just nine athletes in their first 2023–2024 season, the club has expanded to thirty-eight players, giving local kids an exciting way to stay active and connected through aquatic sport.

To learn more about the Stingrays' incredible start, we connected with board member Nadine Sepke, who has two children in the program and has witnessed the club's growth firsthand.



Why STINGRAYS?

The Stingrays' logo features—fittingly—a stingray. As Nadine explained, "Our logo is a Stingray. Stingrays are built for life in the water, symbolizing skill, adaptability and resilience."



The Stingrays have filled a meaningful void in the community, with no winter speed swimming club in Humboldt. Kids now have a place to stay active, improve swimming skills, and build confidence year-round. The club offers Mini practices for newcomers and combined 12U,

14U, and Open sessions for developing athletes. Practices are held Thursdays and Sundays at the Humboldt Aquatic Centre, creating a family-friendly routine that quickly becomes a weekly highlight.

Athletes aged 12U and older can choose to train once or twice a



week. Two of the club's athletes take their commitment even further, training with Team Sask's Development Centre in Saskatoon on Friday evenings, sharpening their skills and

Why join the Stingrays?

The Stingrays may be new, but our energy and growth speak for themselves. We are proud to bring a unique, exciting sport to Humboldt, giving kids and families a chance to be a part of something amazing!

representing Humboldt at the provincial level.

The club competes in Water Polo Saskatchewan's Community League and regularly attends provincial events, giving athletes a chance to test their skills, meet new friends, and represent Humboldt on the provincial stage.

As the northernmost water polo club in the province, the Stingrays face long travel distances to compete in Regina, Saskatoon, and Estevan, yet

families make the journey week after week, demonstrating the dedication that fuels the club's success.

The club has also been actively fundraising, with a focus this fall on raising funds for new training nets. To support this effort, they hosted a BBQ event, with all proceeds directed toward the net purchase. This initiative highlights the Stingrays' commitment to providing quality equipment and supporting the growth of water polo in the community.



Even as a new program, the Stingrays are turning heads with strong participation numbers, enthusiastic community support, and the ability to build. With enthusiastic volunteers, supportive families, and a growing group of athletes, the future looks bright for the Humboldt Stingrays.

Reach out to the Stingrays to learn more about practices, programs, and upcoming events. You can email the club at stingrayswaterpolo@gmail.com or visit their website at www.humboldtwaterpolo.com for more information.

"It's incredible to see how this club has grown so quickly, thanks to a few dedicated parents and volunteers. Watching athletes develop skills and confidence, while families travel long distances to support them, is inspiring. The Stingrays show what's possible when a community comes together for its young athletes."

- WPS Coach Taylor



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