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Ex-NHLer Chris Nielsen, enlisted by Team Ramrod, played in 52 games with the Columbus Blue Jackets during 2000-01 and 2001-02 seasons.

Chris, like the rest of Team Ramrod, now attends medical school at the University of Calgary, where he says Lindsay's legacy is alive and well.

After serving as class valedictorian in 1999 at Cochrane High, Lindsay went on to medical school at the U of C.

"None of us knew Lindsay personally, but she was obviously a very special person to have

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something like this organized in her name," Nielsen said.

"We were more than happy to come out. It was such a great day and was well organized."

Nielsen added that if possible Team Ramrod would be more than happy to return for next year's Kimmett Cup.

"We had a great time and would love to come back and defend our cup," he said.

Nielsen wasn't the only one to enjoy himself, as the day's events held special meaning for Jill Scotland who played

ringette with Lindsay.

"It's all for fun of course," said Scotland, who played with the Jets.

"The name of the game is fun and we are out here to contribute to the foundation, but we have also got high-calibre hockey so it's been good."

It was a second trip to the Kimmett Cup for Scotland, who grew up playing hockey on Mitford Pond.

She described Lindsay as a "leader, very charismatic," and added that she could think of no better way to pay tribute to her friend.

Kelly, who also took part in the tournament with the We Are Family team, said this year's Kimmett Cup exceeded his expectations in every way and he views it as an important piece in the legacy built to honour his beloved daughter.

Like MacLellan, Kelly wished to thank the community and the tournament's more than 60 corporate sponsors, noting that the Kimmett Cup would not exist without their contributions.



A pair of players watch the action from the comfort of their seats on the ice during the Kimmett Cup on Jan. 16. Below: A Jets player spins away from his BVRAHL rivals during regulation play at the second annual Kimmett Cup. The Jets advanced to the playoff round. *Top photo by Patrick Price; bottom photo by Jeremy Nola*

"We just can't believe the support we get," he said.

"We were in grief counselling for a couple of years and group therapy, no one gets support like we have gotten from the community. It's incredible.

"Everybody's been

having a great day, we have been listening to Lindsay's music and enjoying ourselves. I can feel her here."

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