

Hockey Practice in Small Town Alberta

In 1981 hockey season started when the outdoor rink in the Village of Clive was flooded, in mid November. Aaron's uncle Bill Williams coached his team, the mini-mites.

Aaron's figure skating helped his skating ability and was confident on the ice with the hockey stick and puck. Janice Gill's twins, Valerie and Virginia, played on the same team as Aaron. Janice and I had known each other since we were toddlers, both attending the Anglican Church in Clive. I was living on my parents' farm, after finding that having an apartment in Red Deer was too much money for my salary.

On this cold afternoon, leaning on the boards watching the practice, Janice and I chatted about the kids, hockey, and our nursing careers.

Shivering, I told Janice, "Maybe we need to build an indoor arena."