

## ONTARIO JUNIOR LACROSSE LEAGUE TO PLAY 2021 SEASON AT THE TORONTO ROCK ATHLETIC CENTRE

## LEAGUE TO ANNOUNCE 44 GAME SCHEDULE: PLAYOFF AND CHAMPIONSHIP

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ONTARIO—The Ontario Junior Lacrosse League (@TheOJLL) today announced that the 2021 season and futures showcase will be played at Canada's premier lacrosse-first facility, the Toronto Rock Athletic Centre (TRAC) in Oakville, ON. The season is set to start, with all teams beginning game play, the weekend of July 24, 2021.

"We are thrilled to finally announce that the OJLL will return to the floor on July 24," said OJLL Commissioner Mark Grimes. "We want to thank everyone that has helped us navigate these last few weeks, especially the Return to Play committee; Bill Greer, Cody Jamieson, Bruce Codd, and Clem D'Orazio. I also want to thank Jamie Dawick for enthusiastically opening his doors for the return of Junior A lacrosse. We are raring to go and we are very excited to be playing at the world-class Toronto Rock Athletic Centre."

The schedule will call for 44 regular season games over the course of two weekends followed by semi-final playoffs and a championship for the Iroquois Trophy. The championship game will take place on August 7, 2021 during the league's first-ever futures showcase—a three-day tournament featuring the future stars of the OJLL.

The 2021 season will be the debut of 9 National Lacrosse League (NLL) rule adaptations aimed at enhancing athleticism, improving player safety, and creating an exciting fast-paced brand of lacrosse. It will also see the return of 1999-born players who lost their last year of junior eligibility with the Covid-19 cancelled season.

The league is set to make a number of exciting announcements ahead of the 2021 season. For the most up to date information and breaking news, visit ontariojuniorlacrosse.com or follow @TheOJLL on Twitter.

## **ABOUT THE OJLL**

The Ontario Junior Lacrosse League (OJLL), established in 1933, is a box lacrosse league based in Ontario, Canada. The OJLL consists of eleven (11) teams located in southern Ontario and is widely considered the most competitive junior men's lacrosse league in the world.

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