

Tucker Hockey - International



From 1997 to 2001 Coach Rex taught power skating for Canadian Hockey Camp – Europe in Most, Czech Republic each summer. It's where my power skating career began and developed and where the vision to create Tucker Hockey was born. After a 14 year sabbatical from teaching hockey instruction in Central Europe, Coach Rex started up the first annual Tucker Hockey camp in Prague, Czech Republic this past summer. Prague is a city of 1.3 million and one of the most beautiful urban centers in the world! Over the years I have always enjoyed and treasured my visits to Prague (latest trip no: 15 and counting) but very gratifying to be back again doing on ice instruction in the Czech Republic.

Tucker Hockey held a 3 day mini camp from July 24th to 26th, 2015. This elite power skating, puck control and hockey tactics camp consisted mainly of Czech players born from 1999 to 2008. Since the Czech kids are taught English at an early age, we decided to operate the camp using English rather than Czech as the official camp language.

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Congratulations to Jan Janiurek the winner of the Jiri Hudler autographed Calgary Flames jersey giveaway. Additional NHL merchandise including Flames practice jerseys and hats were given away during the weekend sessions to the hardest workers on the ice. Good to see the smiles! Yes, hockey and smiles. It was a very rewarding experience working with the Czech players who are passionate about playing hockey too!

Tucker Hockey is planning to have future international hockey camps in Prague. The next camp is scheduled for July 22nd to 24th 2016. Canadian parents and or players interested in visiting Prague, Czech Republic to experience elite hockey training and the rich culture of one of the world's most beautiful cities contact Coach Rex at 403 - 244 - 5037 to obtain additional information and enrolment. Note: This camp is ideally suited for Atom level players and higher.

