

# Christian "Pepe" Bordeleau



Christian Gerrard Bordeleau Honored Member of the WHA Hall of Fame Center Born September 23, 1947 in Noranda, Quebec Height: 5' 8" Weight: 155 lbs.

Christian Bordeleau left the NHL's Chicago Blackhawks to sign with the Winnipeg Jets in August 1972. He centered the Jets' top line with Bobby Hull and Norm Beaudin and helped lead the Jets to a Western Division championship and a berth in the AVCO Cup finals in 1972-1973.

After a disappointing 1973-1974 season, Bordeleau asked for and received a trade early in the 1974-1975 season when he was dealt to the Quebec Nordiques in exchange for defenseman Alain Beaule. That season, Bordeleau helped lead his new team to their first appearance in the AVCO Cup finals.

Bordeleau had his finest individual seasons over the next two years, recording over 100 points each year and in 1976-1977, he helped lead the Nordiques back to the AVCO Cup final, where they defeated the Jets in an epic seven-game series to capture their one and only championship.

Bordeleau's career was slowed by injuries over the next two seasons and he was forced to retire in November 1978. Bordeleau was selected for the WHA's annual mid-season All-Star Game on two occasions and his 325 assists rank him eighth all-time in WHA history.

#### Scoring Statistics

<u>Regular Seaso</u>	<u>n</u>	<u>Playoffs</u>				
<u>Season Team</u>	<u>GP G A Pts PIM</u>	<u>Season</u> <u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u> <u>G</u>	<u>A</u>	Pts PI	Μ
1972-1973 Winnipeg Jets	78 47 54 101 12	1972-1973 Winnipeg Jets	12 5	8	13 4	1
1973-1974 Winnipeg Jets	75 26 49 75 22	1973-1974 Winnipeg Jets	33	2	5 C	)
1974-1975 Quebec Nordiques	53 15 33 48 24	1974-1975 Quebec Nordiques	15 2	13	15 2	2
1974-1975 Winnipeg Jets	18 8 8 16 0					
1975-1976 Quebec Nordiques	74 37 72 109 42	1975-1976 Quebec Nordiques	51	1	2 4	1
1976-1977 Quebec Nordiques	72 32 75 107 34	1976-1977 Quebec Nordiques	84	5	9 0	)
1977-1978 Quebec Nordiques	26 9 22 31 28	1977-1978 Quebec Nordiques	10 1	5	66	3
1978-1979 Quebec Nordiques	16 5 12 17 0					

#### Jersey Numbers

<u>#</u>	<u>Season</u>	<u>Team</u>
7	1972-1973	Winnipeg Jets
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11	1974-1975	Quebec Nordiques
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### **Transactions**

DateDetailsAugust 1972Winnipeg Jets sign Christian Bordeleau as a free agent.August 25, 1972Los Angeles Sharks trade the rights to Christian Bordeleau to Winnipeg Jets for cash.December 5, 1974Winnipeg Jets trade Christian Bordeleau to Quebec Nordiques for Alain Beaule.November 1978Quebec Nordiques announce retirement of Christian Bordeleau.

### Draft History

Selected by Los Angeles Sharks in 1972 General Player Draft (Chicago NHL).