



Welcome to Minor Hockey Week 2018

We are so excited about Minor Hockey Week 2018! We are hopeful that players, coaches and appreciate and enjoy the additional details that make MHW feel just a little differently than the regular season and more like a tournament. Creating an atmosphere of fun and excitement is our primary goal.

Please read this welcome letter completely so that you know exactly what to expect during MHW.

MHW 2018 Details:

1. Tier 1 & Tier 2 Initiation teams will have a full game on a full ice surface
2. Tournament Headquarters including Basket Raffles, Silent Auction & other activities is at Frank Lacroix Arena
3. Every Game will begin with the *Dairy Queen Race*
4. Every Game will End with a *Boston Pizza Shoot Out*
5. Each game will have a Wood Buffalo Hall of Fame *Heart & Hustle Award* and an MVP award.
6. There will Coaches Game(s)
7. There will be an RCMP Challenge Game

With 68 teams Participating, 170 Games of Hockey, 1200 Players and 300 Coaches, we are in for an awesome week!

Welcome Package

This is a special week so we are starting it with a special gift for EVERY player and team! Each team package includes the following:

- Player, Manager and Coach tickets to enter Raffles
- A small gift for each player – Kickball
- A tattoo for all Players up to the Pee wee Division
- A bottle of Gatorade for each player
- A *Heart and Hustle* toque for each game
- A Canadian Tire Water Bottle for each game MVP
- *Dairy Queen Race* Coupons for Home Games
- *Boston Pizza Shoot out* Coupons

(NOTE - please advise if things are missing as soon as you notice)

Please ensure that all tickets for Tournament Headquarters are handed out during your first game at FLA. If you are not scheduled to play at FLA, (it is impossible to get all teams up there) please hand out during your first game and encourage your team to come visit the headquarters.

NOTE WELL: We were made aware that last year, some coaches used these tickets as an 'incentive' and had players earn them. **THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE. All tickets and welcome gifts are to be given to players and not withheld by coaches.**

GAMES

Initiation Games

Each of our Tier 1 & Tier 2 Initiation teams will have a full game on a full ice surface. This is especially exciting because normally our littlest players are only on the Mini Ice. You will follow the same rules as below for these games with the exception that each team will provide one Coach to act as Referee, and Time Keepers will use the horn/buzzer to switch shifts every 2 Minutes.

All Games, including those played on the mini ice will have a DQ Race and BP Shoot Out.

Novice - Midget

Each Ice slot is 75 Minutes so we need to be mindful of the time to get all activities complete. Players and coaches must be ready to step on the ice right on time. Please encourage parents to get players to the rink in a timely manner. Every round robin game will consist of the following:

- 3 Minutes for Warm up. Please have the time keeper set the clock at the game start time.
- Pre-select you're **Dairy Queen Racers** (1 per team) and have them line up on the center line opposite sides as soon as the **3 minute warm up is complete.**
- **55 Minute Game** - Please Follow **MHW Rules attached**
- 3 minutes for **Boston Pizza Shoot Out**
- After the shootout, teams need to shake hands and line up on the blue line for awarding the MVP (coaches select their own player) and Heart & Hustle (coaches select player from opposing team).

For schedules and stats please look to your Division Directors for communication.
Races and Shootouts are eliminated for Semi Final and Final games

Tournament Headquarters

Frank Lacroix Board room will be set up with Games and Raffles. Please encourage your teams to stop by and check out this room!

- **Raffle Baskets** - 35 teams signed up to donate baskets. Each player has a coupon in the welcome kit and they can choose which raffle to enter. Additional tickets will be available to be purchased for \$1/ticket. **All Prizes will be drawn on Sunday January 28 and can be picked up on Monday Jan 29th.**
- **Playstations** – Playstations will be set up with hockey games available for all players and their siblings to take a turn.
- **Mini Sticks** – Mini Sticks will be set up and ready for teams to come in and have a little 3 on 3 fun.
- **Silent Auction** – There will be a few prizes for adults to bid on some sports memorabilia.
- **Sucker Pull** - Pull a marked sucker and win 5 tickets to enter more raffles!
- **Looney Drop** - How accurate is your Aim? Drop a loony in the tank and if you hit the bulls eye you will get 5 free tickets.
- **Player Board** - A raffle that will be a 3 way split between Player, Purchaser and MHW.

A huge thank you for all teams for participating in the creation of the excellent baskets.

HOURS

WEEKDAYS 5:30-9:30PM

SATERDAYS & SUNDAYS: 8AM – 9:30PM

50/50 Raffles

Tickets will be sold at all three arenas (FLA, CC and MI) and are progressive draws. This means that sales from all arenas will be combined and split with the lucky winners.

Draw dates are as follow:

Raffle #1: Selling from Jan 19 at 5PM to Jan 21: Draw just after 4PM

Raffle #2: Selling from Jan 21 to Jan 26: Draw just after 5:30PM

Raffle #3: Selling from Jan 26 to Jan 28: Draw just after 9:30PM

All prizes will be posted on Facebook page, the Minor Hockey Website and up in the room at FLA. All winnings can be claimed at MHW headquarters at FLA during open hours.

Looney Stick

Where you find the 50/50 you will also find the Looney Stick (MI and FLA).

You give a Toony and 1 Loony gets taped onto the stick.

Winner gets the stick full of loonies.

Wood Buffalo Brewing Company Coaches Appreciation Game

On Saturday January 20th we will be celebrating our Coaches. They pour hours into our kids, both on and off the ice – looking for drills, creating line formations, looking for tournaments, communicating with players and parents, attending meetings and everything else that Hockey throws at them.

Yes, our coaches will even do the Race and the Shootout!

So, bring your players out and cheer LOUD and PROUD as your favorite coaches take to the ice. See the scheudle in the package for game times.

Poster Boards and Crayons will also be set up to create Cheer Boards for your coaches. Prizes will be awarded at each game for Loudest Fans and Best Dressed group.

The RCMP will be Refereeing these games. Check the Face book page to find out when your Coach is playing.

Games will be followed by a coaches appreciation Night at Wood Buffalo Brewing , details will be communicated to the coaches participating.

2018-01-20	Sat	3:45p	5:00p	MI #2
2018-01-20	Sat	5:15p	6:30p	MI #2
2018-01-20	Sat	6:45p	8:00p	MI #2

RCMP Challenge

One lucky WBHL team will be selected to play the RCMP on Saturday Jan 27th at 12:30PM. To enter the draw for this game you must go to the Minor Hockey Facebook page and submit a video of your team Cheering by **6PM January 21st, 2018.**

Oil Barons Game!

FREE ADMISSION for any FMMHA players who wear their jersey; either WBHL or Jr Oil Barons to the game on **Saturday January 20** at 7:30 PM vs the Camrose Kodiaks.

THANK YOUS!

Without the hard work and generosity of many people and businesses, MHW would not be possible. Thank you to all players, coaches and families for your cooperation and participation.

Thank you to all players, coaches and families for **being mindful of our rules and etiquette**. Please always remember your **Respect in Sport** agreement. These are children, helped by volunteers and it is a game and is meant to be fun.

Thank you to all the **Team Managers** who organized the team Baskets, and to our Committee who have been planning and working hard to make this week happen: Christie Trottier, Kristy Loney, Christine Hoffer, Paula Bolt, Niki Kenny, Erin Fleming, Ryan Wood, Tammy Powell, Jody Seymour & JodyAnn McSkimming

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Have a Great week!
MHW Committee