

FALL 2016

FMHA NEWSLETTER

Important Dates



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Jr Flyer of the Game

CAHL Regular Season

Nov 18, 2016 - Feb 12, 2017

Christmas Break

Dec 19, 2016 - Jan 1, 2017

CAHL Playoff Season

Feb 17, 2017 - Mar 28, 2017

Do you want to be part of a High River Junior B Flyers Home Game?

We are looking for players who want to experience Jr. Flyer of the Game...

If you want to get a chance to hang out with some of your local favorite players then submit your name and contact information to Terri Bass at ntbass@telus.net

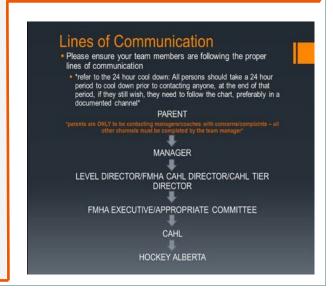
A junior game experience will include being part of the pre-game talk, a skate in warm-up with the players, gathering the pucks after warm-up, being part of the starting line-up while they sing O'Canada plus your own bio (favorite player, favorite team, team you play for, position you play, pre-game meal) will be read to the crowd.

See you at the game!

The Foothills Minor Hockey Association was one of almost 60 minor hockey associations in Alberta to receive Ice Dividers through a funding program sponsored by Pembina. The Initiation Program encourages associations to have dividers in place to split the ice into smaller sections, thereby providing an emphasis on skill development and safety for players six years and under. The goal of the grant program is to remove the financial burden for Minor Hockey Associations who require these divider boards.

Thank you Pembina!!!







Coach Clinics



The weekend of September 10 and 11 saw some 50 coaches converge in High River to kick off the 2016-2017 hockey season. Hockey Alberta and Foothills Minor Hockey Association where happy to provide coaches the opportunity for some early season certification.

The following clinics are available to all Foothills Minor Hockey Association coaches free of charge. Each of these Friday night sessions will start with an ice session from 5:15 pm - 6:15 pm followed by classroom from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm at Bob Snodgrass Rec Plex. The ice portion of each clinic is also open to 25 members (novice and up) free of charge. Coaches should go to Hockey Alberta coach requirement page to register for the free clinics or click this Link. For details please contact Miles Kiemele.

- Nov 25 Station focused practices and utilization of assistant coaches
- Dec 16 Small Area Games with Bryan Maxwell
- Jan 13 Skating with Gary Kimmen
- Jan 27 Goalie Skills with Matt Weninger
- Feb 10 Developing Defensemen with Bryan Maxwell
- Feb 24 Puck Skills with Bryan Maxwell

Meet the Operations Manager

The Operation Manager (OM) is a critical part of our association. They are a recognized member of the FMHA Board of Directors, but is a non-voting member due to the fact the position is remunerated. The main responsibilities of the OM are team registrations and ice scheduling. They are the main liaisons between Hockey Alberta registrars and our association. The OM also tracks all required certifications for our bench staff and Respect in Sport requirements for all parents to make sure all of our kids and coaches are eligible to play. They are the gate keeper for all our rules and regulations pertaining to registration, certification and ice requirements.

Pavel Savin is the FMHA Operations Manager for 2016 - 2017 season.

Officials Corner

If you have officials in your family:

- the monthly membership meeting for referees is Nov 21st in High River at Ramada at 7pm
- Okotoks refresher clinic November 29th at 6pm 9pm @ Community Room (Room where we have our membership meetings)
- High River refresher clinic is Dec 9th 5:15pm 8:30pm (High River arena)
- All officials can sign up for either of the two clinics or both clinics (there will be email sent out soon regarding sign up for High River refresher



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Operations Manager - Pavel Savin

Pay It



The Pay It Forward Committee collected \$900 in donations for Dave and Marie Cedertra through Go-FundMe and cash donations. The money is being sent to the account already set up in Blackie this week. We want to thank everyone who was able to help out this well-loved part of our hockey family!