

OKOTOKS MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



"Great moments are born from great opportunities"

- Herb Brooks

IMPORTANT DATES:

- Aug 23: Coaching Interviews Begin
- Sept 9: Hockey Alberta Coach Clinic**
- Sept 10: Hockey Alberta Checking Clinic**
- Sept 11: Evaluations begin
- Oct 4: Coaches Meeting
- Oct 7: Hockey Alberta Coach 2 Clinic**
- Oct 11: Managers Meeting
- Nov 10-12: Female Tournament
- Nov 15: Police Record Checks Due
- Nov 16: OMHA IGM
- Dec 15-17: Novice Tournament
- Mar 3-4: Timbit Tournament
- May 16: OMHA AGM

Welcome Back

FROM GEOFF STEWART, PRESIDENT

Hello Participants and Parents!

On behalf of the OMHA Board, I would like to welcome you to the 2017-18 Hockey Season. We are excited you have joined us and look forward to your child's participation.

Youth sports are a great way to teach children about teamwork, honor, integrity, sportsmanship, leadership, and other character traits. Our coaches strive to teach your children not only the fundamentals of hockey, but also the fundamentals of valuable life lessons.

If you have questions at any time during the season, please contact your Head Coach or one of the OMHA Directors on the Board! The most important thing we can stress is to read the newsletters you receive and the various emails that will be sent throughout the season. Communication is critical, and we do our best to keep everyone informed.

We are looking forward to the opening of the New Arena scheduled for puck-drop February 2018. Play safe, show respect and have great 2017/18 season!

- Geoff



Bow Mark Oilers Seeking Volunteers



The Bow Mark Midget AAA Oilers will be starting their first season in a few weeks and we are all looking forward to the first of many amazing seasons. The team staff are looking for some volunteers to help us run a first class program.

We need to fill the following positions:

- Game day scorekeeper
- Game day penalty box official
- Game day timekeeper
- Game day gate admissions lead
- Game day apparel seller
- Billet coordinator
- Billet families
- General volunteer

Anyone who would be willing to help out, please email keith.hurde@vision33.com. It will be an amazing experience.

Okotoks Referee Association



FROM GREG SCHMIDT, VICE-PRESIDENT OF ORA

Winter is coming which means hockey season is in full swing, and we are looking for officials for the upcoming season. If you want to stay involved with hockey on the ice, want to get out and get a little exercise, or if you have always wanted to officiate and it happens to be your calling, then we want you! Officiating is a great way to stay involved in the game, learn a different side of the game, and meet new friends. You need to be at least 13 years of age to become an official.

If you are interested in officiating you can check out the clinic information at <http://ora.goalline.ca> or www.czrc.ab.ca.

The clinic dates are as follows for this season:

Beginner Clinics

Sept 23, 24 or Oct 21

Junior and Senior A/B

Sept 20 and 21 (2 day evening clinic, must be 16 and returning official)
Sept 23, 24 or Oct 21



IMPORTANT LINKS & NOTES:

[OMHA Website](#)

[OMHA Evaluation Procedure](#)

[OMHA Game and Conduct](#)

Respect in Sport Course

Hockey Alberta mandates that one parent of every player take the Respect in Sport course. This course must be renewed every 4 years. You must have a valid certification before your player will be allowed to play this season. If you have not already taken this course, please click here.

Hockey Alberta Coaching Clinics

Okotoks will be hosting coaching clinics for Coach 1, Coach 2 and Body Checking. To register, please click here.

Hockey Alberta Development Courses

Okotoks will be hosting a number of coaching courses throughout the season. Below are some of the ones that Hockey Alberta has confirmed. Registration information will be posted on our website as soon as it is available.

October 18
Practice Planning and Player Expectations

November 4
AJHL Game Day Clinic with Okotoks Oilers and Drumheller Dragons

December 11
Instructional Stream Skills Clinic

save the dates

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APRIL 28 2018

HARDSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT
JUNE 21 2018

New Arena Update

The new rink is on track for puck drop in February 2018. We are currently working to finalize details to brand and customize the arena for OMHA.





From Our Sponsors

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

OMHA offers two exciting opportunities for local businesses that allow their company name to be seen by hundreds, if not thousands, of local families.

Each travel team in OMHA is eligible to have a company name displayed on a name bar on the back of their jerseys.

NEW OPPORTUNITY: Board/Sign Advertising in the new arena once it is complete, details to be announced.

For further information, please contact us at sponsorship@okotokshockey.com.



Okotoks Oilers

Saturday September 2nd @ 7:00 pm at Pason Centennial Arena

Monday September 4th @ 4:30 pm at Pason Centennial Arena

Friday September 8th @ 7:00 pm at Scott Seaman Sports Rink

Saturday September 9th @ 7:00 pm at Scott Seaman Sports Rink

Home Opener – Friday September 15th @ 7:00 pm vs. Brooks Bandits

All OMHA players can receive complimentary entrance into all exhibition games and home games in the month of September if wearing OMHA apparel.



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