



SPRING NEWSLETTER 2017

IT CERTAINLY DOESN'T LOOK LIKE SPRING IN ONLY A FEW WEEKS AWAY BUT YES THE 2017 2018 HOCKEY SEASON IS COMING TO AN END. MOST TEAMS HAVE COMPLETED THEIR LEAGUE PLAY AND ARE IN THE MIDST OF PLAYOFFS OR PLANNING TO ATTEND YEAR END TOURNAMENTS – GOOD LUCK TO THOSE TEAMS. WE HOPE EVERYONE HAS HAD A LOT OF FUN AND SEEN SOME SOLID PLAYER SKILL & TEAM CONCEPT GROWTH.

DATES

THE LAST PRACTICE DATE PAID BY RMHA FOR EACH DIVISION IS POSTED BELOW. TEAMS ARE OPEN TO BOOKED EXTRA OR EXTENDED PRACTICES ON THEIR OWN.

TYKES - WEDNESDAY MARCH 7TH

PRE-NOVICE – SATURDAY MARCH 10TH

NOVICE – WEDNESDAY MARCH 7TH (AWAY FOR TOURNAMENT ON SATURDAY)

ATOM 2008 – THURSDAY MARCH 8TH

ATOM 2007 – WEDNESDAY MARCH 7TH

PEE WEE – THURSDAY MARCH 8TH

BANTAM – FRIDAY MARCH 9TH

ALSO PLEASE NOTE THAT THE GRIZZLIES PLAYOFF RUN / HOME GAMES WILL OVERRIDE ANY SCHEDULED PRACTICE.

LEAGUE WEBSITE

A FEW PARENTS HAVE ASKED WHERE THEY CAN FIND LEAGUE SCHEDULES AND STANDINGS TO FOLLOW. FROM ATOM AND UP TEAMS ARE ABLE TO JOIN A LEAGUE WITHIN OMAHA AT VARIOUS LEVELS. THE LEAGUE WEBSITE IS WWW.OMAHAHOCKEY.CA.

LEAGUE HOME GAME SCHEDULE

MARCH 3RD ATOM DEVELOPMENT VS SALMON ARM 1 1:00 AM

PLAYOFF HOME GAME SCHEDULE

MARCH 2 PEE WEE TIER 4 6:00 PM

(KEEP AN EYE ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR OTHER PLAYOFF HOME GAME DATES AS THEY BECOME KNOWN)

SPRING SKATING

IF ANY PLAYERS HAVE INTEREST IN SOME EXTRA SKATES BEYOND THE HOCKEY SEASON, PLEASE EMAIL MATT@LANDQUEST.COM AS WE ARE PLANNING SOME OPEN SKILLS SESSIONS AND SKATES – FULL GEAR REQUIRED AND CURRENT RMHA MEMBERS (FOR INSURANCE PURPOSES). THE PLAN WAS TO HAVE VARIOUS SKILL STATIONS – SHOOTING, SKATING, PUCK CONTROL, PASSING, ETC.

BC HOCKEY NEWS

BC HOCKEY HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE ZONE PROGRAM PILOT PROJECT WILL BE EXTENDED FOR THE 2018-2019 SEASON.

THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN APPROVED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ZONE PROGRAM PILOT PROJECT FOR THE 2018-2019 SEASON:

- EAST KOOTENAY
- WEST KOOTENAY
- NORTH CENTRAL
- NORTH WEST
- OKANAGAN-MAINLINE (OMAHA)
- YUKON

FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE PROVIDED IN EARLY MARCH ON PROGRAM ENHANCEMENTS AND EVALUATION PROCESS. THE PROGRAM, WHICH IS ENTERING ITS THIRD SEASON, WAS DEVELOPED TO ALLOW PLAYERS TO PLAY AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL AND ALLOWS DISTRICTS TO PROVIDE REGIONAL TEAMS AND PULL FROM A GREATER DRAW ZONE.

BC HOCKEY HAS ANNOUNCED THAT BEGINNING IN THE 2018-2019 SEASON, IT WILL OPERATE A MINOR MIDGET LEAGUE FOR 15 YEAR-OLD PLAYERS STARTING WITH THE 2003 BIRTH YEAR.

THE MINOR MIDGET LEAGUE GIVES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR 15 YEAR-OLD PLAYERS TO DEVELOP WITH OTHER ATHLETES OF THE SAME AGE. THE PROGRAM WILL ALIGN WITH THE BC MAJOR MIDGET LEAGUE (MML). THE MML WILL STILL ALLOW 15 YEAR-OLD PLAYERS SHOULD THAT PLAYER WISH TO TRY OUT FOR AN MML TEAM. FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE PROVIDED IN EARLY MARCH ABOUT THE EVALUATION PROCESS AND PROGRAM.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT BC HOCKEY, PLEASE VISIT THE BC HOCKEY WEBSITE AT WWW.BCHOCKEY.NET OR EMAIL INFO@BCHOCKEY.NET OR FOLLOW ALONG THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA AT WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/BCHOCKEYSOURCE.

SUMMER OFFICIATING SCHOOL APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

BC HOCKEY ANNOUNCED THAT APPLICATIONS ARE CURRENTLY BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE 2018 SUMMER OFFICIATING SCHOOLS IN LAKE COWICHAN OR OSOYOOS. THE COST OF THE SCHOOL IS \$600 PLUS APPLICABLE TAXES AND INCLUDES INSTRUCTION, MEALS, DORMITORY ACCOMMODATION AND CERTIFICATION. MEMBERS CAN APPLY TO RMHA FOR FULL COMPENSATION FOR THE PROGRAM. CONTACT MATT CAMERON MATT@LANDQUEST.COM FOR MORE DETAILS. PARTICIPANTS MUST BE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 12 – 18, ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2018.

“THE SUMMER OFFICIATING SCHOOLS ARE A GREAT WAY FOR OFFICIALS TO EXPAND THEIR KNOWLEDGE, WORK ON THEIR OFFICIATING SKILLS AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS IN A FUN, RELAXED ATMOSPHERE,” SAID BC HOCKEY REFEREE IN CHIEF, SEAN RAPHAEL. “THE COMBINATION OF ON AND OFF-ICE INSTRUCTION, INDOORS AND OUTSIDE, GIVES THE PARTICIPANTS A WIDE VARIETY OF OPTIONS TO ENHANCE THEIR LEARNING AND OVERALL EXPERIENCE.”

ALL NEW OFFICIALS WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE ONLINE HOCKEY UNIVERSITY “OFFICIATING 1/2” COURSE PRIOR TO THE COMPLETION OF THEIR CERTIFICATION. RETURNING OFFICIALS DO NOT HAVE TO TAKE THE ONLINE COURSE.

THE SCHOOLS ARE OPERATED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF KEY INDIVIDUALS FROM THE BC HOCKEY OFFICIATING PROGRAM, INCLUDING BC HOCKEY INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF, UPPER LEVEL OFFICIALS AND SPECIAL GUESTS.

HOCKEY CANADA PATHWAY TO HIGH PERFORMANCE GOALTENDING

HOCKEY CANADA IS PROUD TO PARTNER WITH BC HOCKEY AND THE CANADIAN HOCKEY LEAGUE (CHL) TO INTRODUCE HIGH PERFORMANCE GOALTENDING DEVELOPMENT CAMPS IN BC.

THESE CAMPS WILL INTRODUCE THE U14 GOALTENDER TO THE SKILLS, CONCEPTS AND TECHNIQUES OF THE HOCKEY CANADA PROGRAM OF EXCELLENCE GOALTENDING PROGRAM. EACH CAMP WILL ADMIT 24 TO 36 U14 GOALTENDERS TO EXPERIENCE THE PROGRAM UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF HOCKEY CANADA, BC HOCKEY AND CHL EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS.

THE CURRICULUM AND DESIGN OF THE CAMP IS CREATED BY HOCKEY CANADA'S HIGH PERFORMANCE GOALTENDING ADVISORY GROUP TO INTRODUCE YOUNG GOALTENDERS TO HIGH PERFORMANCE CONCEPTS AND AN INTRODUCTION TO THE PROGRAM OF EXCELLENCE.

REGISTRATION FOR EACH CAMP IS \$350.00 AND IS OPEN NOW. NEAREST LOCATION OF CAMP AND DATE: SALMON ARM – APRIL 6 – 8.

LINK FOR REGISTRATION: [HTTP://WWW.BCHOCKEY.NET/NEWSITEM.ASPX?ID=2739](http://www.bchockey.net/newsitem.aspx?id=2739)

THANK YOU, SEE YOU AT THE YEAR END BANQUET!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE AT THE YEAR END BANQUET. THE BOARD IS IN THE MIDST OF PLANNING THE BANQUET DETAILS AS WELL AS PREPARING A YEAR END SURVEY TO COLLECT INPUT TOWARDS MAKING ANY IMPROVEMENTS WE CAN FOR NEXT YEAR. WE WILL RELAY THESE DETAILS THROUGH YOUR TEAM MANAGER.

SINCERELY,

MATT CAMERON / PRESIDENT RMHA