

**SAMHA ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING
MAY 27, 2018**





ST. ALBERT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
May 27th, 2018, 7:00 PM
Grandin Room, St. Albert Inn
AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Presentations:
 - * Chris Rogers Midget Scholarship
 - * Referee Scholarship
 - * Barry Horn Memorial Award
4. Approval of Minutes of 2016/2017 Annual General Meeting.
5. Audit Report.
6. Approval of Auditors for 2018/2019
7. By-law Resolutions- Attached to on-line package
8. Election of Officers – **SAMHA Executive Committee:**
 - *President – One-year term
 - *Treasurer – Two-Year term
 - *Sponsorship Director – Two Year Term
 - *Communication and Member Liaison Director-Two-year term
9. Election of Officers –**Hockey Operations Committee**
 - * Vice President of Hockey Operations – Two Year term
 - * Evaluation Director – One-year term
 - * Development Director – Two-year term
 - * Initiation Director – Two-year term
 - * Novice Director – One-year term
 - * Atom Director – Two-year term
 - * Peewee Director – One-year term
 - * Bantam Director – Two-year term
 - * Rep Director – Two-year term
 - * Female Advocate – Two-year term –
10. Executive Reports – Attached to on-line package
12. Adjournment

AGM MINUTES

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association Annual General Meeting

Thursday, April 20, 2017 – 7 PM

St. Albert Inn, Grandin Room

1: Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order by Gill Hermanns, President at 7:03 PM.

Attendance

See sign-in sheet attached.

2: Approval of Agenda.

MOTION: Moved by Colin Diakow, seconded by Shauna Hudec to approve the agenda. Motion Carried.

3: Presentations.

The Midget Scholarship named after Christopher Rogers was presented by Pam and Dave Rogers. The winner was Jackson Sorenson.

The Referee Scholarship was presented by Joe Becigneul to Robert Corcoran.

The Barry Horn Award was presented next by Gill Hermanns, President. The award was presented to Tracy and Darren Moric.

4: Approval of Minutes of the April 13, 2016 Annual General Meeting.

MOTION: It was moved by Michael Tymko and seconded by Brian Paradis that the minutes of the April 13, 2016 AGM be approved. Motion Carried.

5: Audit Report

The audited financial report for the period of May 1, 2015 to April 30, 2016 was presented by Terry Eddie from the Ellis Group, LLP.

MOTION: It was moved by Deb Vollrath and seconded by Paul Reid to accept the Audited Financial Statements as presented for the year ending April 30, 2016. Motion Carried.

Approval of Auditors for 2017-2018

MOTION: It was moved by Brian Paradis and seconded by Clayton Billey to appoint Ellis Group LLP for audit and preparation of future Financial Statements for the St. Albert Minor Hockey Association.
Motion Carried.

Prior to the by-law resolutions, Gill Hermanns, President, provided an overview of the past season outlining several decisions made by the Executive Board and Hockey Operations Committee. Gill also thanked everyone who gave of their time and thanked Tug Knowlton, Novice Director and Colin Diakow, VP HOC, for their dedication as both of their terms expired.

7: Special Resolutions.

President Gill Hermanns presented all proposed Special Resolutions amending SAMHA By-laws (detailed below) each of which was duly moved and seconded. Discussion on each resolution ensued and each was dealt with as below.

#1: Amendment to By-law: YES

By-law number: 2.00

Paragraph 11.02

Submitted by: Gill Hermanns.

Current Wording:

registrar

MOTION: Moved by Brian Paradis, seconded by Tug Knowlton that the Registrar position be removed as it has become a paid position of the association reporting to the Vice President of Administration.

MOTION CARRIED.

#2: Amendment to By-law: Yes

By-law number: 2.00

Paragraph 11.01

Submitted by: Gill Hermanns

Current Wording:

responsible for the supervision of the administrator

MOTION: Moved by Colin Diakow, seconded by Michael Tymko to correct the wording of this section to reflect that administration staff fall under the President. **MOTION CARRIED.**

#3: Amendment to By-law: Yes

By-law Number: 2.00

Paragraph 12.11 & 12.12

Submitted by: Gill Hermanns.

Current Wording:

None

12.11 Female Advocate – duties as specified in Policy

12.12 Renumbering current 12.11 to 12.12

MOTION: Moved by Michael Tymko and seconded by Colin Diakow to add the Female Advocate position to the Hockey Operations Committee. MOTION CARRIED.

#4: Amendment to By-law: Yes

By-law Number: 2.00

Paragraph: 12.01

Submitted by: Gill Hermanns

Current Wording:

Female Hockey Director and Registrar

Proposed Change: Female Advocate and Registrar (non-voting) to reflect the current names and that the registrar is now a paid position and as such non-voting.

MOTION: Moved by Brian Paradis and seconded by Clayton Billey to reflect the current names and that the registrar is now a paid position and as such is non-voting. MOTION CARRIED.

#5: Amendment to By-law: Yes

By-law number 2.00

Paragraph: 11.06

Submitted by: Gill Hermanns

Current Wording:

Remove the section completely (following sections will need to be re-numbered)

Amended to: Move 2.11.06 to 3.3 with the following sections to be re-numbered.

MOTION: Moved by Colin Diakow and seconded by Melissa Nollski to accept this resolution. MOTION CARRIED.

#6: Amendment to By-law: Yes

By-law number: 1

Paragraph: 12 a) and b)

Submitted by: Gill Hermanns

Current Wording:

a) Female Hockey Director b) Registrar

a) Female Hockey Director and b) Registrar.

Proposed Change: a) Female Advocate b) remove Registrar. The Female Hockey Director position was removed at the 2016 AGM. Subsequently the Executive Board created the Female Advocate position and to add it back as an elected member of the Hockey Operations Committee. The Registrar position is removed as a Board position as it is now a paid position.

MOTION: Moved by Michael Tymko and seconded by Paul Reid to accept this resolution. MOTION CARRIED.

#7: Amendment to By-law: Yes

By-law number: 2.11.08

Paragraph: Member at Large (name change).

Submitted by: Judi Bahl

Current Wording:

Member at Large

Proposed change: New name to be: Communications and Member Liaison Director.

MOTION: Moved by Judi Bahl and seconded by Michael Tymko to change the name of the Member at Large position to Communications and Member Liaison Director. MOTION CARRIED

#8: Amendment to By-law: Yes

By-law number: 2.11; 2.11.01

Paragraph: d

Submitted by: Clayton Billey

Current Wording:

d) will exercise the powers of the Executive Committee in case of emergency. Such exercise of power must be ratified by the executive (within 48 hrs of the president exercising such powers). Emergency – defined where immediate action is required in the best interest of the members and Association.

Proposed change:

d) Will have the ability to exercise the powers of the Executive Committee, in conjunction with two other members of the Executive Committee in case of emergency with a 2 of the 3 determining the action to take. Emergency- defined where immediate action is required in the best interest of the members and Association.

MOTION: Moved by Deb Vollrath, seconded by Colin Diakow to accept this by-law resolution. MOTION CARRIED.

#9: Amendment to By-law: Yes

By-law number: 2.04

Paragraph: Paragraph

Submitted by: Clayton Billey.

Current Wording:

In the event that the President is unable to perform the required duties, the Vice President of Administration will assume the position of President for the balance of the term or until the next Annual General Meeting, whichever event first occurs. In the event that the Vice President of Administration cannot assume the President's position, or in the event that any other Member of the Executive Committee withdraws or is removed from the Executive Committee, or should an Executive Committee position not be filled by an election of the general membership at an Annual General Meeting, then the Executive Committee shall elect a Member from the general membership to fill the vacancy until the next Annual General Meeting. Any such executive position filled will be up for election at the next Annual General Meeting with the balance of the length of the term for the position decided in accordance with the time limitations in Article 1.12.

Proposed Change in wording:

In the event the President is unable to perform the required duties, the Vice President of Administration will assume the position of President for the balance of the term or until the next Annual General Meeting, whichever event first occurs. In the event the Vice President of Administration cannot assume the President's position, or in the event that any other Member of the Executive Committee withdraws or is removed from the Executive Committee, or should an Executive and/or HOC Committee position not be filled by an election of the general membership at an Annual General Meeting, then the Executive Committee can fill vacant Executive Positions and HOC Committee can fill vacant HOC positions from the general membership to fill the vacancy until the next Annual General Meeting. Any such Executive/HOC position filled will be up for election at the next Annual General Meeting with the balance of the length of the term for the position decided in accordance with the time limitations in Article 1.12.

MOTION: Moved by Clayton Billey and seconded by Brian Paradis to accept this by-law resolution.
MOTION CARRIED.

#10: Amendment to By-law: Yes

By-law number: 2.03

Paragraph: b) and preamble

Submitted by: Clayton Billey

Current Wording:

upon 2/3 majority vote of the Members of the Executive or HOC Committee on the basis that a Member is doing an unsatisfactory job;

Proposed Change: A member of a committee shall be relieved of his/her duties and removed as a Member of that committee in the following circumstances:

- b) Upon 2/3 majority vote of the Members of the committee on the basis that the Member is doing an unsatisfactory job:

MOTION: Moved by Clayton Billey and seconded by Deb Vollrath to accept this by-law resolution.
MOTION CARRIED.

8: Election of Officers

Hockey Operations:

Vice President of Hockey Operations (1 year term): Michael Tymko - acclaimed.

Evaluation Director (2 year term): Scott Petter - acclaimed.

Novice Director (2 year term): No Nominations.

Peewee Director (2 year term): Michael Tymko – Acclaimed.

Midget/Junior Director (2 year term): Paul Reid - Acclaimed.

Female Advocate (1 year term): Stefani Schell – acclaimed.

Executive:

President (2 year term): Gill Hermanns – Acclaimed.

Vice President Administration (2 year term): Melissa Nollski – Acclaimed.

Secretary (2 year term): Vanessa Gordon – acclaimed.

Communications and Member Liaison Director (1 year term): - Judi Bahl – acclaimed.

Treasurer (1 year term): Gill Hermanns – acclaimed.

9: Executive Reports

All executive reports were posted on line with all the other AGM materials.

MOTION:

It was moved by Brian Paradis and seconded by Clayton Billey to accept all the Executive and HOC Reports as posted on line. MOTION CARRIED.

10: Other Business

A: Discipline Committee:

The following members volunteered to sit on the Discipline Committee as needed, this is a 2 year term:

Colin Diakow

Glen Sorenson

Tracy Moric

Jill Martin

11: Motion to adjourn:

A Motion to Adjourn the meeting was made by Paul Reid and seconded by Michael Tymko.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM.

ST. ALBERT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2017

***Ellis Group* LLP**
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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of **ST. ALBERT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **ST. ALBERT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**, which comprise the statement of financial position as at April 30, 2017, and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many non-for-profit organizations, the Association derives the majority of its revenues from registrations and fund raising activities, the completeness of which are not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues from these sources was limited to accounting for amounts recorded in the records of the Association and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to registrations and fund raising activities, excess of revenue over expenditures, assets and surplus.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the possible effect of adjustments of the matter described above, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **ST. ALBERT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION** as at April 30, 2017, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Ellis Group LLP

Edmonton, Alberta
November 30, 2017

Chartered Accountants

ST. ALBERT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2017

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Revenues | | |
| Registration and ice fees | \$ 1,528,753 | \$ 1,352,323 |
| Sponsors, interest and other | 31,614 | 36,517 |
| | <u>1,560,367</u> | <u>1,388,840</u> |
| Expenditures | | |
| Ice rentals | 720,901 | 742,030 |
| Equipment and sweaters | 190,467 | 182,555 |
| Administrative wages | 128,245 | 127,529 |
| Insurance and fees | 110,365 | 111,797 |
| Office and administration | 57,486 | 51,381 |
| Outside evaluation costs | 50,626 | 29,620 |
| Player and coach development - net of receipts | 50,387 | 42,265 |
| Team photographs and yearbooks | 28,455 | 25,650 |
| Telephone and utilities | 13,408 | 21,041 |
| Referees | 11,940 | 11,569 |
| Professional fees | 6,069 | 7,747 |
| Amortization | 5,881 | 1,937 |
| Advertising and publicity | 2,734 | 4,276 |
| | <u>1,376,964</u> | <u>1,359,397</u> |
| Excess of revenues over expenditures | <u><u>\$ 183,403</u></u> | <u><u>\$ 29,443</u></u> |
| Allocated as follows: | | |
| Unrestricted surplus | \$ (44,170) | \$ 31,380 |
| Invested in property and equipment | 227,573 | (1,937) |
| | <u><u>\$ 183,403</u></u> | <u><u>\$ 29,443</u></u> |

ST. ALBERT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2017

| | <u>2017</u> | | | <u>2016</u> |
|---|-------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| | Unrestricted Surplus | Invested In Property And Equipment | Total | Total |
| Balance, beginning of the year | \$ 456,540 | \$ 4,521 | \$ 461,061 | \$ 431,618 |
| Excess (deficiency) revenues over expenditures | (44,170) | 227,573 | 183,403 | 29,443 |
| Balance, end of the year | <u>\$ 412,370</u> | <u>\$ 232,094</u> | <u>\$ 644,464</u> | <u>\$ 461,061</u> |

ST. ALBERT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
APRIL 30, 2017

ASSETS

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Current Assets | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 631,280 | \$ 606,876 |
| Accounts receivable | 3,296 | - |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total current assets | 634,576 | 606,876 |
| Property And Equipment (note 3) | 232,094 | 4,521 |
| Scholarship Fund (note 4) | 20,878 | 22,709 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | \$ 887,548 | \$ 634,106 |
| | <hr/> <hr/> | <hr/> <hr/> |

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

| | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Current Liabilities | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | \$ 95,830 | \$ 19,910 |
| Deferred registration fees (note 5) | 1,145 | 5,195 |
| Deferred grants (note 6) | 125,231 | 125,231 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total current liabilities | 222,206 | 150,336 |
| Scholarship Fund (note 4) | 20,878 | 22,709 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total liabilities | 243,084 | 173,045 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Net Assets | | |
| Unrestricted | 412,370 | 456,540 |
| Invested in property and equipment | 232,094 | 4,521 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Approved By The Board | 644,464 | 461,061 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| _____ Director | \$ 887,548 | \$ 634,106 |
| | <hr/> <hr/> | <hr/> <hr/> |
| _____ Director | | |

ST. ALBERT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2017

| | <u>2017</u> | <u>2016</u> |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Cash provided by (used in) operating activities | | |
| Excess of revenues over expenditures | \$ 183,403 | \$ 29,443 |
| Items not affecting cash | | |
| Amortization of property and equipment | 5,881 | 1,937 |
| | <u>189,284</u> | <u>31,380</u> |
| Net changes in non-cash working capital: | | |
| Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable | (3,296) | 19,061 |
| Increase (decrease) in accounts payable | 75,920 | 9,221 |
| Increase (decrease) in deferred registration fees | (4,050) | (1,025) |
| Increase (decrease) in deferred grants | - | 125,231 |
| | <u>68,574</u> | <u>152,488</u> |
| Investing activities | | |
| Purchase of property and equipment | (233,454) | - |
| Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 24,404 | 183,868 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the year | 606,876 | 423,008 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of the year | <u><u>\$ 631,280</u></u> | <u><u>\$ 606,876</u></u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents consist of: | | |
| Cash | \$ 392,821 | \$ 372,190 |
| Short term deposits | 238,459 | 234,686 |
| | <u><u>\$ 631,280</u></u> | <u><u>\$ 606,876</u></u> |

ST. ALBERT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
APRIL 30, 2017

1. Nature Of Operation

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association (the "Association") is an organization that fosters and promotes minor hockey in the St. Albert area. The Association is a not-for-profit organization and is exempt from income taxes.

2. Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Accounting

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

(b) Cash And Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, balances with banks and short term deposits with maturity dates that do not exceed 90 days after year end.

(c) Revenue Recognition

The Association uses the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenditures are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable. Endowment contributions are recognized as direct increases in reserves.

(d) Property And Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost less accumulated amortization. Amortization is provided using the following rates:

| | |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| Building | 5% Straight Line |
| Computer | 30% & 55% Declining Balance |

(e) Measurement Uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as at the date of the financial statements. Amortization is based on the estimated useful lives of tangible capital assets. These estimates and assumptions are reviewed periodically and as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in revenue and expenses in the period in which they become known. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(f) Statement Of Cash Flows

The statement of cash flows has been prepared using the indirect method.

ST. ALBERT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
APRIL 30, 2017

3. Property And Equipment

| | 2017 | | | 2016 |
|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | Cost | Accumulated Amortization | Net Book Value | Net Book Value |
| Computer | 31,962 | 16,868 | 15,094 | 4,521 |
| Leasehold improvements | 217,000 | - | 217,000 | - |
| | <u>\$ 248,962</u> | <u>\$ 16,868</u> | <u>\$ 232,094</u> | <u>\$ 4,521</u> |

4. Scholarship Fund

A provision has been made for the scholarship fund during the current year. These scholarship funds are provided each year to Midget players and referees to assist them in post secondary education.

5. Deferred Registration Fees

Deferred registration fees represent credits available from casino operations to be applied to next fiscal year's registration.

6. Deferred Grants

The Association has received grants from the Government of Alberta in the amounts of \$125,231 for renovations. Terms and conditions set out by the grant were completed subsequent to the year end.

7. Lease Commitment

Premises are leased from The City of St. Albert for \$4,840 per annum until August 2022.

8. Financial Assets And Liabilities

The Association has a comprehensive risk management framework to monitor, evaluate and manage the principal risks assumed with financial instruments. The risks that arise from transacting financial instruments include liquidity risk and interest risk.

ST. ALBERT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
APRIL 30, 2017

8. Financial Assets And Liabilities - continued

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Association will not be able to meet its obligations associated with its financial liabilities. Cash flow from operations provides a substantial portion of the Association's cash requirements.

Interest Risk

The Association is exposed to interest rate risk on its short term deposits. The carrying value of these financial instruments are not adjusted to reflect increases or decreases in fair value due to interest rate changes as it is the Association's intention to realize their value over time by holding them to maturity.

From: [By-Law Special Resolution AGM 2017/2018](#)
To: mailer@rampmx.com
Subject: By-Law Special Resolution AGM 2017/2018 - Submission
Date: March 13, 2018 2:52:13 PM

A By-Law Special Resolution AGM 2017/2018 form has been submitted online.

[Admendment to By-Law](#)
Admendment to By-Law

[By-Law Number:](#)
1.05

[Paragraph:](#)
a) Meetings

[Submitted by:](#)
Paul Reid

[Current Wording:](#)
Annual General The St. Albert Hockey Association shall hold their Annual General Meeting on or before the 30th day of May each year. Such meeting shall be called by the President and notice shall be given to the general membership in a St. Albert weekly newspaper 3 consecutive weeks prior to the meeting and posted on the Association website for 6 consecutive weeks prior to the meeting date. Such AGM will ONLY deal with the Association's Bylaws. Notice of the Special Resolutions to amend, delete or add to the By-Laws must be received by the President in writing at least 28 days prior to the General Meeting and be posted on the Association Website at least 21 days prior to the meeting

[Proposed Change:](#)
Proposed Change: Annual General The St. Albert Hockey Association shall hold their Annual General Meeting on or before the 30th day of May each year. Such meeting shall be called by the President and notice shall be given to the general membership in a St. Albert weekly newspaper 3 consecutive weeks prior to the meeting and posted on the Association website for 6 consecutive weeks prior to the meeting date. Such AGM will ONLY deal with the Association's Bylaws. Notice of the Special Resolutions to amend, delete or add to the By-Laws must be received by the President in writing at least 4 weeks prior to the General Meeting and be posted on the Association Website at least 3 weeks prior to the meeting

[Rationale:](#)
For consistency and to avoid deadlines falling on non business days.

| Date | WITHDRAWN | TABLED | CARRIED | CARRIED (AS AMENDED) | DEFEATED |
|--------|-----------|--------|---------|-------------------------|----------|
| RESULT | | | | | |

From: [By-Law Special Resolution AGM 2017/2018](#)
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Date: March 13, 2018 2:53:25 PM

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By-Law Number:
1.10

Paragraph:
1.10

Submitted by:
Paul Reid

Current Wording:
NOMINATIONS Every Member of the St. Albert Minor Hockey Association shall have the privilege of nominating a qualified representative for each Executive Committee and Hockey Operations Committee position open for election in any given year. Nominations may only be made by current members in good standing and must be received 10 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Proposed Change:
NOMINATIONS Every Member of the St. Albert Minor Hockey Association shall have the privilege of nominating a qualified representative for each Executive Committee and Hockey Operations Committee position open for election in any given year. Nominations may only be made by current members in good standing and must be received 2 weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Rationale:
For consistency and to avoid deadlines following on non business days.

| Date | WITHDRAWN | TABLED | CARRIED | CARRIED (AS AMENDED) | DEFEATED |
|--------|-----------|--------|---------|-------------------------|----------|
| RESULT | | | | | |

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[By-Law Number:](#)
1.10

[Paragraph:](#)
1.10

[Submitted by:](#)
Michael Tymko

[Current Wording:](#)
Addition

[Proposed Change:](#)
To be eligible to be nominated for the position of President, Vice President Hockey Operations and/or Vice President, Administration one must have served a minimum of a two-year term within the last 6 years as a voting member on the St Albert Minor Hockey Association Board of Directors, Executive and/or Hockey Operations Committee(s)

[Rationale:](#)
This strengthens the board by having the to[three positions filled with experienced people.

| Date | WITHDRAWN | TABLED | CARRIED | CARRIED (AS AMENDED) | DEFEATED |
|--------|-----------|--------|---------|-------------------------|----------|
| RESULT | | | | | |

From: [By-Law Special Resolution AGM 2017/2018](#)
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[Admendment to By-Law](#)
Admendment to By-Law

[By-Law Number:](#)
1.12

[Paragraph:](#)
A) and B)

[Submitted by:](#)
Clayton Billey

[Current Wording:](#)
see bylaws

[Proposed Change:](#)
Add Intro to Hockey Director. Position to be added in b) odd numbered years opposite of Initiation Director

[Rationale:](#)
Work involved with the new Intro to Hockey Programs with hope of expansion warrants a separate position

| Date | WITHDRAWN | TABLED | CARRIED | CARRIED (AS AMENDED) | DEFEATED |
|--------|-----------|--------|---------|-------------------------|----------|
| RESULT | | | | | |

From: [By-Law Special Resolution AGM 2017/2018](#)
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[Admendment to By-Law](#)
Admendment to By-Law

[By-Law Number:](#)
Numerous Bylaws submitted in a document by email to the Office Admininstrator.

[Paragraph:](#)
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[Submitted by:](#)
Michael Tymko

[Current Wording:](#)
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[Proposed Change:](#)
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[Rationale:](#)
Pursuant to the review of the Executive and Hockey Operations.

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Special Resolutions for changes to the Bylaws

By-Law Number: 1.12

Paragraph: C

Submitted by: Michael Tymko

Current Wording: None

Proposed Change: One individual person is only able to perform the duties of one position on the Board of Directors.

Rationale: To ensure we have a wide range of personnel on the board and that we do not put too much work on our volunteers.

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2.0 Executive Committee

[Paragraph:](#)
2.01

[Submitted by:](#)
Clayton Billey

[Current Wording:](#)
See 2.01

[Proposed Change:](#)
Add HOC Members

[Rationale:](#)
To not separate hockey operations from executive as we are a hockey operations association and all directors should be involved in voting and decision making of this hockey operations association

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[By-Law Number:](#)
2.12

[Paragraph:](#)
.08

[Submitted by:](#)
Mark Kay

[Current Wording:](#)
2.12.08 Representative League Director a) will be responsible for the SAMHA representative Peewee program. b) will conduct pre-season meetings with coaches and will ensure that every team has a budget for review prior to November 1st. c) will ensure all on-ice personnel to complete all required Peewee Program and coaching clinics as per Hockey Alberta Bylaw d) will encourage that each of the coaches and Instructors use the Representative Hockey Program curriculum in their on-ice sessions e) will produce an information letter for all parents as approved by the Vice President of HOC f) will attend Hockey Operations Committee meetings and will submit a written report g) will review and make recommendation to the Vice-President for approval of all out of Province games h) will ensure that a league schedule including Playoffs is made available to all teams i) will be responsible to collect and manage all game sheets (Peewee AA) for league, tournament, and exhibition games. Copies of game sheets with sanction permits and travel permits – must be given to the hockey office within 24 hours of the game being played j) will be responsible to provide the Vice President of Administration – game sheets (Peewee AA) with incident reports k) will submit a report on Representative League Hockey at the Annual General Meeting l) will report to the Vice-President of HOC

[Proposed Change:](#)
Complete removal of the Representative League Director postion & Bylaw 2.12.08

[Rationale:](#)
This postion now only encompasses 3 teams at Pee Wee AA. The 3 teams can fall under the direction of the Pee Wee Director, as the work load would not be significantly more. Hockey Edmonton only requires one main contact for their teams. As the 3 AA teams play in Edmonton, we should make sure all our teams fall under the same umbrella, with only one position dealing with all Pee Wee teams. This will not affect any of the day to day operations of the teams, tryouts or other circumstances. All of the same duties will now be passed on to the Pee Wee Director. Currently we have 2 directors in 1 division completing the same tasks.

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Paragraph:
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Submitted by:
Mark Kay

Current Wording:
Chaired by the Vice-President of Hockey Operations the Hockey Operations Committee is comprised of: Representative League Director, Midget Director, Bantam Director, Peewee Director, Atom Director, Female Advocate, Novice Director, Initiation Director, Development Director, Evaluation Director, the Referee in Chief, SAMHA Ice Allocator, SAMHA Historian, Grant Writer, Registrar (non-voting) and Vice President of Administration.

Proposed Change:
Chaired by the Vice-President of Hockey Operations the Hockey MOperations Committee is comprised of: Midget Director, Bantam Director, Peewee Director, Atom Director, Female Advocate, Novice Director, Initiation Director, Development Director, Evaluation Director, the Referee in Chief, SAMHA Ice Allocator, SAMHA Historian, Grant Writer, Registrar (non-voting) and Vice President of Administration.

Rationale:
If we remove the Representative League Director postion, we need to change the bylaws accordingly to remove the postion from the bylaws.

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2.12 Committees

[Paragraph:](#)
2.12.01 Hockey Operations Committee

[Submitted by:](#)
Clayton Billey

[Current Wording:](#)
Chaired by the Vice-President of Hockey Operations the Hockey Operations Committee is comprised of: Representative League Director, Midget Director, Bantam Director, Peewee Director, Atom Director, Female Advocate, Novice Director, Initiation Director, Development Director, Evaluation Director, the Referee in Chief, SAMHA Ice Allocator, SAMHA Historian, Grant Writer, Registrar (non-voting) and Vice President of Administration.

[Proposed Change:](#)
Chaired by the Vice-President of Hockey Operations the Hockey Operations Committee is comprised of: Representative League Director, Midget Director, Bantam Director, Peewee Director, Atom Director, Female Advocate, Novice Director, Initiation Director, INTRO TO HOCKEY Director, Development Director, Evaluation Director, the Referee in Chief, SAMHA Ice Allocator, SAMHA Historian, Grant Writer, Registrar (non-voting) and Vice President of Administration.

[Rationale:](#)
Add Intro to Hockey Director

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[By-Law Number:](#)
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[Paragraph:](#)
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[Submitted by:](#)
Karen Hach

[Current Wording:](#)
Head Coach spouses may not volunteer to manage a team or deal with any finances for the team without special permission from the Division Director.

[Proposed Change:](#)
Head Coach & Assistant Coach spouses may not volunteer to manage a team or deal with any finances for the team without special permission from the Division Director.

[Rationale:](#)
Transparency and accountability. Also, the workload can be shared among more families on the team.

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[Paragraph:](#)
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[Submitted by:](#)
Michael Tymko

[Current Wording:](#)
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[Proposed Change:](#)
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[Rationale:](#)
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By-Law Number: 2.17 St Albert Raiders Hockey Club

Paragraph: Entire paragraph

Submitted by: Michael Tymko

Current Wording: The St. Albert Raiders Hockey Club will operate as its own entity in the St. Albert Minor Hockey Association by means of which, following The St. Albert Raiders Hockey Club By-Laws as outlined in Appendix 1. The President of the St. Albert Raiders Hockey Club will report to the President of the St. Albert Minor Hockey Association until such time as Hockey Alberta changes their LMHA reporting accountability structure.

Proposed Change: Pursuant to the guidelines, policies and Bylaws of the governing bodies of Hockey Alberta and Hockey Canada, all registered players within the Boundaries noted in Bylaw 1.00 are members of the St. Albert Minor Hockey Association.

The St Albert Minor Hockey Association can permit their registered players to participate in the Elite teams provided by the St. Albert Raiders Hockey Club.

The St. Albert Minor Hockey Association retains the right and management of the players permitted to participate with the St. Albert Raiders Hockey Club including and not limited to evaluations, team formation, game, practice and ice management and discipline.

The President of the St. Albert Raiders Hockey Club will report to the President of the St. Albert Minor Hockey Association.

Rationale: To confirm the relationship between the two organizations, which is supported by our governing body, Hockey Alberta.

Directors Up for Election - 2018

This page is to help keep track of nominations. Please use the ballots you received at the door for voting. Please note only one ballot may be cast per family. The following positions are up for election:

President – one year term

Nominated: _____

Vice President of Hockey Operations – two year term

Nominated: _____

Treasurer – two year term

Nominated: _____

Rep Director – two year term

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Initiation Director – two year term

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Novice Director – one year term

Nominated: _____

Atom Director – two year term

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Peewee Director – one year term

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Bantam Director – two year term

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Female Advocate – two year term

Nominated: _____

Sponsorship Director – two year term

Nominated: _____

Development Director – two year term

Nominated: _____

Communications & Member Liaison – two year term

Nominated: _____

Evaluation Director – one year term

Nominated: _____

**St. Albert Minor Hockey Association
Executive Report**

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| NAME | Melissa Nollski | Position | Acting President /Admin VP |
| DATE | May 15 th , 2018 | Meeting | AGM Report |

REPORTING PERIOD

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| FROM | March 2018 | TO | April 2018 |
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The 2017/2018 season proved to be one of growth and learning for all involved. The season was spent dealing with various incidents from minor to major with many aspects that involved working together alongside our directors, Hockey Edmonton and Hockey Alberta. Ongoing communication and information sharing occurred regularly to ensure there were numerous supports in place as well as sufficient feedback and proper direction appropriately implemented at all times. Our boards were put to task at different times throughout the season and each position worked well with one another when called upon to make important decisions, take part in various committee activities or tackle any ideas introduced throughout the season. Tasks were dealt with head on and this was a huge learning curve with measures taken to manage the season's situations and circumstances effectively.

Continued efforts were brought forth again this season to bring both our Executive Committee and Hockey Operations (HOC) committee come together in working our way back to one meeting for committee members for the entire association. Clearer transparency and collaboration was noticed by merging the groups together on the same evening and the end result would be to have 1 board for the entire association. This will provide everyone a voice, will provide transparency in association operations and together strengthen the association on a whole.

Great relationships have continued with all including both our Hockey Alberta and Hockey Edmonton colleagues this past season as well. Putting faces to names, attending various activities held between hockey colleagues was a definite highlight this season and has proved both rewarding and beneficial. Ongoing communication is encouraged, and representing our association at community events was a welcomed addition to the position!

The last month of the season was a time for transition as our Board President resigned from his position and the role of Acting President was added to my responsibilities. This had me carrying dual roles for the remainder of the hockey season and enhanced my growth and knowledge both of and within the organization. Many decisions that were made prior to the departure continued to be carried out and business continued to run successfully. Minimal changes in the day to day operations occurred and it was a truly collaborative approach that sought patience, assistance and support from all.

I wanted to express my sincere gratitude to all of our volunteers and staff who have consistently had the best interest of the entire association at heart with everything and anything they do. We have a truly talented and dedicated group of people who understood their roles and would regularly gain clarity and engage in ongoing dialogue and communication when unsure or simply to keep one updated. They worked hard to manage each of their positions putting their own spin on leadership and capacity building and each one of them have played a supportive role to the many decisions, suggestions and ideas put forth by all who are behind the scenes of this association. The teamwork it has taken to make these positions flourish and the follow through with a project from start to finish is admirable. Being a volunteer can be a thankless position; but working alongside the members who have filled the positions this past season has made it worthwhile.

I trust that the new membership that moves us forward into the 2018/2019 season will continue in this manner and continue to make this association a leader for other local Minor Hockey Associations to follow!

Melissa Nollski
Acting President / Admin VP

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association AGM Report

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| NAME | Michael J. Tymko | DATE | May 27, 2018 |
| Position | Vice President of Hockey Operations (VP HOC) | | |

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REPORT

The 2017-2018 season is complete and I would like to thank all Directors, Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Managers, Treasurers, other team officials and volunteers for the work they did throughout the year with each team to make this a successful year for the St Albert Minor Hockey Association (SAMHA).

In SAMHA, this past season, there were many different programs and activities to manage and I would specifically like to thank all the volunteers on the board for managing their positions in a respectful and reputable fashion. SAMHA was well represented across the province by their board and I believe in the 8 years that I have been a Director with SAMHA, this has been the strongest board in those eight years as everyone was highly dedicated to performing their role, getting their work and representing SAMHA as best they could.

At this point I would like to speak to each member of the Hockey Operations Committee in specific:

Vice-President of Administration (Melissa Nollski):

Mel has had a very trying and difficult year in some of the issues she has had to deal with. Mel has performed at an exceptional level representing SAMHA in the best and impartial manner possible. In addition to her normal tasks, Mel assumed the role of President with the resignation of our former President in mid-March. Again, Mel performed the duties of the President admirable and represented SAMHA in the highest regards. Mel and I were able to attend the Hockey Edmonton (HE) year-end banquet representing SAMHA and in meeting the valued colleagues with HE and the Edmonton Federation Hockey League (EFHL), the league in which our interlock teams participate, Mel was revered and accepted with pleasure as this event has not been attended by SAMHA in the past 5 seasons.

Midget & Junior C Director (Paul Reid):

Paul has performed the duties of Midget and Junior C Director for the past four seasons. Paul supervised 5 Midget teams (1 Female and 4 Coed) and 1 Junior C team. Paul's efficiencies and knowledge of the requirements and concepts of the programs have allowed the formation of the teams to run seamlessly. Paul has had to deal with many changes with the checking/non-checking concepts and unfortunately with the suspension concept. Paul's relationships with HE and the Noralta Junior Hockey League are valuable in the operation of these teams. In addition to his normal duties Paul ran a Midget non-checking tournament this season over the family day weekend – not only taking family time away from him but providing a tournament for his non-checking teams (tournaments for non-checking teams are difficult to find).

Bantam Director (Brian Paradis):

Brian has completed a two-year term as the Bantam Director and performed his duties with an admirable respect. Brian supervised 13 Bantam teams (3 Female and 10 Coed). Despite personal matters to deal with, Brian always completed his role and tasks of Bantam Director to ensure the smooth operations of the Bantam teams. Brian, similar to Paul, ran a non-checking tournament for his Bantam teams, this season over the family day weekend – again not only taking family time away from him but providing a tournament for his non-checking teams (tournaments for non-checking teams are difficult to find).

Representative Director (Deb Vollrath):

Deb has represented SAMHA in this role for the past four seasons. Deb supervised 3 Pee wee AA teams. This season Deb has had a very trying year with her personal health and was required to step away from her duties with SAMHA in mid January. It has been a benefit to SAMHA that Deb was very strong in her role, in specific to picking strong coaches at this level to ensure the smooth operation of the role which continued on her departure.

Pee wee Director (Shauna Hudec):

This was Shauna's first year as Pee wee Director and I believe she has done an outstanding job taking over from the previous Pee wee Director (who was that guy??). Shauna supervised 17 Pee wee teams (3 Female and 14 Coed). Shauna had a few trying issues that were resolved in a professional and respectful manner that not only resolved the issue but provided a learning opportunity to representatives to understand the process of how a hockey association operates. I attended many Pee wee games and sat with Shauna who always seemed to be there to support her teams. I believe Shauna learned a lot this season and look forward to her coming back to provide more of her excellent representation for SAMHA.

Atom Director (Paul Reid):

Yes, this is the same Paul Reid from Midget & Junior C, Paul performed the duties of two Directors this season. Paul supervised 20 Atom teams (3 Female and 17 Coed). Paul was the Atom Director for SAMHA for the past two seasons and was also Atom Director from 2010 to 2012 (How old is this guy??). Paul oversaw the 16 teams that played within the EFHL and the 4 teams that played within the SAMHA Development League. Based on the feedback from the parents, Paul has brought forth that all teams play within the EFHL, a very progressive concept providing a similar hockey experience for all Atom participants.

Novice Director (Ken Jennings):

This was Ken's first year as Novice Director and Ken has been a representative that has always wanted to learn more about his position and try to raise the bar and represent the organization better. Ken supervised 20 Novice teams (2 Female and 10 Coed). Ken and I attended a Hockey Alberta workshop in Red Deer in regards to the changes coming forth for the upcoming season and I was quite impressed as Ken talked all the way home about how this would work best for SAMHA and its participants. I believe Ken had many discussions this season and I believe he learned a lot this season as he monitored and absorbed the operations and management of SAMHA and I look forward to him coming back to take on a more advanced role with SAMHA.

Initiation Director (Clayton Billey):

Clayton is completing a two-year term as the SAMHA Initiation Director. Clayton supervised 12 teams operating within the Initiation division. In addition to his regular duties, Clayton oversaw the implementation and operation of a new program offered by SAMHA, the Intro to Hockey program. Clayton implemented new concepts to the Initiation program that not only improved the flexibility of teams but the financial position of SAMHA. The Intro to Hockey program was a grand success and next season we expect this program to grow – this will only grow the registrations within SAMHA for the future years. Based on the popularity of the Intro to Hockey program, Clayton has brought the concept of SAMHA creating a role for an Intro to Hockey Director to ensure that division has equal representation at the board level.

Female Advocate (Stefani Schell):

Stefani completed her first year as the Female Advocate and likely had one of the most difficult positions within SAMHA. Stefani's role is undefined and she has tried to be a voice and action for the female registrants within SAMHA while working with our HR Committee to define her very own role.

Development Director (Andrew Chuckrey):

Andrew completed his first term (two years) as the Development Director and has worked tirelessly to create and provide quality development programs for SAMHA registrants. Change is always difficult when the first thing that it has to come up against is negativity based on lack of understanding. Andrew's work in reviewing submissions and meeting with prospective vendors to ensure the best programs for SAMHA registrants was both time consuming and admirable.

Evaluation Director (Scott Petter):

Scott has been the Evaluation Director for SAMHA for the past seven seasons. Scott's attention to detail and his high standard of quality always ensured that SAMHA provided a top-notch evaluation process. Scott always ensured that communication was a key in providing parents information in regards to the evaluation process prior to implementation and also in feedback.

Referee in Chief (Joe Becigneul):

Joe has completed another year (of NINE) as the SAMHA Referee in Chief. Joe does not require or demand but is able to provide a referee program that is not only respected in St. Albert, but within Edmonton and Alberta. Joe has created a referee program that through supervision, mentoring, education and guidance that is second to none.

Ice Allocator (Shannon Maisano):

Shannon is completing her final year of seven as our Ice Allocator. SAMHA has always represented SAMHA well behind the scenes with her tireless efforts and knowledge and understanding of the requirements of each program to ensure the most efficient and effective use of ice. Shannon took on the task of allocating ice for the Provincial teams this season by herself and completed the task with no issues. I recently attended a HE Ice Meeting with Shannon and it was nice to see (and also sad) that HE was also going to miss Shannon representing SAMHA.

Registrar (Seema King):

Seema has completed her first year with SAMHA and has been indescribably one of the greatest assets for SAMHA. The knowledge, concepts and efforts that Seema has brought to our organization cannot be measured and we are a much better organization with Seema as part of our team.

Highlighting a few of the work that was accomplished throughout this season:

- 1) Feedback – at the end of last season SAMHA requested feedback. That feedback was reviewed and provided to the Directors in consideration of Coach Selection and to help improve our Association and the programs that we provide.
- 2) Roster Qualifications – this season roster the roster qualification process was more centralized and we reduced the time and effort required for coaches to obtain a Criminal Record Check. We are continuing to make attempts to make this process quicker and smoother for the future.
- 3) Team Selection/Coach Interviews/Coaches Meetings – these concepts were analyzed and a continued effort is being made to try to make these processes/events seamless and efficient.
- 4) Quikcard Minor Hockey Week (QMHW) – SAMHA was able to provide more ice for MHW which provided the following:
 - a. Appreciative relationships with the QMHW committee and HE
 - b. Provide more opportunities for our participating teams to have games within St Albert
 - c. Utilize unused ice available during this period
 - d. Appreciative relationships with the City of St Albert for utilizing unused ice.

A special thank-you to Krystal Ralph (Parent Volunteer) for stepping forward to conduct the services of Rink Manager at the Grand Trunk arena.

A special thank-you to Shari Reid (Parent Volunteer), Shauna Hudec and Paul Reid for sharing the duties of Rink Manager at the Mark Messier and Troy Murray arenas.

- 5) Equipment – this season an Equipment Committee was formed and all aspects of equipment were reviewed. The most significant concept established this season was that the current inventory of jerseys acquired will be used by SAMHA members for three seasons each. On that basis, SAMHA will not have to invest in jerseys for at least two more seasons. In addition, meeting with multiple vendors has determined that there are many positive concepts that can be brought forth to the association to support our branding concept and make the acquisition of apparel more efficient and affordable for our participants.

A special thank-you to Rob Buchanan (Parent Volunteer), Brian Paradis, Shauna Hudec and John Glass for stepping forward and attending the numerous meetings with prospective vendors.

- 6) Fees – based on the financial analysis conducted by a member of the board and delayed investment in jerseys, SAMHA was able to reduce fees by \$100 for the upcoming season.

There have been some very tough decisions made this season and as noted earlier, with a strong board, these decisions appear hard now, but are for the betterment of SAMHA, which will be realized once we get over the initial hurdles.

Again, this was my eighth year as a Director for SAMHA, it was a great opportunity to learn about SAMHA and see the opportunity we can provide to all children. I have met many great individuals that work with SAMHA from the City of St Albert, Hockey Alberta, Hockey Edmonton and more.

My focus to players and coaches is to represent St Albert Minor Hockey, St Albert, their team, their family and themselves well - I am proud of the way SAMHA has represented and evolved this season.

I would like to thank all for the opportunity for being the Vice President of Hockey Operations this season.

Regards,

Michael Tymko
Vice President of Hockey Operations

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association Hockey Operations Report

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| NAME | Mark Kay | Position | Sponsorship |
| DATE | May 11,2018 | | Director |

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\$57,826.25 “raised” this year

Mark Kay – Sponsorship Director

2017-2018 was a great year for partnerships for the association. I was able to connect with many in the community that saw value in giving back to our hockey community. Hopefully whoever is in this position in the coming years will continue to foster the current relationships I have made over the past 2 years, and look to make new ones.

There are apparel changes for next year; I encourage everyone to look at them in our policies. Navy blue will be the standard colour for jackets and clothing, please see the SAMHA policies for full clarification.

I'd like to thank our sponsors for the 2017-2018 season. Donna Stewart Power Skating, Pro Star Hockey, Summit Physiotherapy, Canadian Brewhouse, Central Social Hall, Enmax, McDonald's, Tim Hortons, Riverside Honda, Game OVR, Brian Cyr Realtor, Mona Crandell CIBC, McKenney Corner Dental, Panago, Stick Fix, Jump 'N Play, Source for Sports, Sunshine Promotions, Edmonton Oilers, Century Casino & Best Western St. Albert.

I'd also like to thank the numerous businesses that donated to help our silent auction this past November. If you didn't know about it, make sure you sign up to receive e-mails from SAMHA, and watch for the information.

Already signed on for the 2018-2019 season are the following.

Coach of the Month – Central Social Hall

October – February. 1 per division, per month. Can be won by a Assistant Coaches or Head Coaches. \$25 gift card to Central Social Hall

Team of the Month – Canadian Brewhouse

October – February. 1 per division per month, with Bantam & Midget sharing 1 per month. Team pizza party for the coaches and the kids.

Pro Star Hockey, Summit Physiotherapy, McDonald's, Tim Hortons, Riverside Honda, Game OVR, Brian Cyr, McKenney Corner Dental, Stick Fix, Source for Sports, Best Western St. Albert.

2017 Breakdown

- \$600 generated from the Links Page
- \$3000 generated from the ½ Ice Rink Boards Page

- \$6750 generated from the Rotating Ad on the website
- \$3000 generated from the Apparel Sponsorship
- \$5980 generated from the Silent Auction
- \$10,000 from Enmax for Novice Team Apparel donation
- \$21,166.25 generated from the Oilers 50/50
- \$1000 generated from AtoMc Nights at McDonalds
- \$6330 generated from the Canadian Brewhouse Opening weekend donation

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association
2017-2018 AGM Report

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| NAME | Judi Bahl | Position | Communications |
| DATE | May 15, 2018 | Meeting | AGM |

This has been a significant year of change and I want to thank the current and previous board members for putting in so much time and effort this year to keep things moving forward. Special thanks go to Mel Nollski and Michael Tymko for their unwavering dedication and leadership.

I look forward to next year and seeing what great things this board and organization can do.

This role (once known as the Member at Large) has really evolved over the last couple years and started to focus more on communication with the members and community.

With the introduction of social media, SAMHA has seen an increase in interaction from the membership and the community at large.

Our Facebook page currently has 519 followers. Our Twitter account has 395 followers and our Instagram account has 296 followers.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/staminorhockey/>

Twitter: @Hockey_StA

Instagram: hockey_sta

I have shared member stories, pictures, articles, asks and more!

Several newsletters were sent out this year with up to date information and features about our board members all in an effort to engage with our membership.

Next year, I hope to continue to increase the communications from SAMHA as well as the visibility of the Board.

Judi Bahl
780-934-8069

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association

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| NAME | Clayton Billey | Position | Initiation Director |
| DATE | May 13, 2018 | Page(s) | 1 of 2 |

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The 2017-2018 season brought along a few welcomed changes to both Intro to Hockey and Initiation from last season.

Intro to Hockey was conducted in the Hockey Canada group format, rather than the traditional team format used last year. In addition, we added a group for Novice and Atom aged players (7-12 yrs) wanting to give the sport a try. We adopted the group format to allow a consistent development program promoting progression for all players. The program was facilitated through the Inside Hockey Development which delivered an introduction to hockey through a progressive step by step approach, developing and enhancing basic on ice skills of young new players to the sport.

The Initiation teams this season were selected by ability grouping of players. We selected three groups based on ability and created four teams in each group. We held a short grouping skate at the beginning of the year, which allowed me to create teams based on each player's basic ability. This did not come without its challenges but in the end, we all felt the season was a great success for the teams which gave every player the opportunity to play within their ability and develop through the season. The use of the medium sized nets as well attributed to the success of the program this year as well allowing further player development.

Registration Summary

| 2017-18 Initiation Registration | | 2017-18 Intro to Hockey 4-6 yrs. Registration | | 2017-18 Intro to Hockey 7-12 yrs. Registration | |
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| Initiation (5-6 yrs. of age) | 176 | Intro to Hockey (4-6 yrs. of age) | 182 | Intro to Hockey (7-12 yrs. of age) | 35 |
| Female | 23 | Female | 29 | Female | 4 |
| Male | 153 | Male | 153 | Male | 31 |
| (12) Teams | | (4) Groups | | (1) Group | |

- **Initiation – 176 Players**
 - Registration remained consistent within 5% from last year. Note, 65% of the players last year moved to Novice.
 - Female registration was up this year by 5% in Initiation
- **Intro to Hockey 217 Players**
 - Registration grew from 126 in 2016/2017 to 182 for the 4-6 yrs of age group and we had maximum enrollment of 35 in the 7-12yrs of age group.
 - If we had the ice available we could have added a 6th group increasing our registration
 - Female registration increased this past season in the 4-6 yrs. of age groups

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| NAME | Clayton Billey | Position | Initiation Director |
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Recommendations for 2018-2019

Intro to Hockey

- Keep the program at Servus Place due to the size of the dressing rooms and venue in comparison to Kinex
- Incorporate the use of the foam dividers to further divide up the groups in small area games and drills
- Shorten the ice time to 45min per session which may be better suited for the age category, which will allow us to add another group, making the existing groups smaller
- Introduce Parent / Coach mentoring on ice by The Inside Edge Hockey Development to allow parents the ability, skills and confidence to further coach at this age. Suggest limiting the number of Parent / Coach on ice support to four, one per small area group on the ice per session. Selection would be made by previous coaching accreditation and as well willingness to take on a Head Coach roll in Initiation.
- Based on Hockey Alberta Guidelines no ice times earlier than 9:00am on weekends

Initiation

- Introduce one or two Female teams based on registration numbers
- Continue with the grouping by ability and look to mix in teams and provide them the ability to move within the groups if warranted.
- Cross ice play will continue (100'x85') surface with the medium the sized nets (3'x4/5')
- Suggest looking at a 2:1 practice to game ratio
- Based on Hockey Alberta Guidelines no ice times earlier than 9:00am on weekends
- Due to limitations of the City of St. Albert and space to store the half ice boards at any other arena, the program will have to remain at Kinex

I want to thank everyone for their support within SAMHA and all the SAMHA Members who participated in the division and volunteered to make this past season a great success for both Intro to Hockey and Initiation!

Best Regards,



Clayton Billey - Initiation / Intro to Hockey Director

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association 2017-2018 AGM Report

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| NAME | Kenneth Jennings | Position | Novice Director |
| DATE | May 27, 2018 | Meeting | AGM |

This year in Novice:

Total Novice registered players 305
 Total male registered players 266
 Total female registered players 38
 Total Novice Coaches 137
 Development Teams 10
 Co-ed Interlock Teams 8
 Female Interlock Teams 2

Development League (NDL)

NDL 1

NC1501 Head Coach Jeff Jordan
 NC1502 Head Coach Travis Parker
 NC1503 Head Coach Pat Woolock
 NC1504 Head Coach Chad Burden
 NC1505 Head Coach Troy Haymour
 NC1506 Sturgeon

NDL 2

NC1507 Head Coach Andy Geddes
 NC1508 Head Coach Greg Rainer
 NC1509 Head Coach Kevin Haupt
 NC1510 Head Coach Terry Bobowsky
 NC1511 Head Coach Phil Linehan
 NC1512 Sturgeon

NDL1 and NDL2 appeared to bring good completion as most teams were equal in skill and ability. While all the players initially appeared to be of equal skill and ability, one of the Sturgeon teams seemed to have more difficulty than I would consider ideal. Typically players from outside SAMHA are not evaluated alongside the SAMHA players. Future teams from other associations entering the SAMHA NDL league may benefit from participating in SAMHA evaluations to ensure equal competition.

Interlock Teams

SA720 Head Coach Fernando Pisani / Interlock 1A
 SA721 Head Coach Doug Greschuk / Interlock 1A
 SA722 Head Coach Blair Addison / Interlock 1B
 SA723 Head Coach Troy Weatherly / Interlock 1B
 SA724 Head Coach Andy Kyle / Interlock 2B
 SA725 Head Coach Dale Stiles / Interlock 2B
 SA726 Head Coach Jay Herrick / Interlock 3A
 SA727 Head Coach Andrew Lutic / Interlock 3A
 SA728 (Female) Head Coach Roger Monette / Interlock Started 5A - Finished 3B
 SA729 (Female) Head Coach Warren Suitor / Interlock Started 6B – Finished 6A

The year began with evaluating all SAMHA players and equaling drafting 2 teams to enter tier 1A, 2 teams to enter tier 1B, 2 teams to enter tier 2B, 2 teams to enter tier 3A, 1 female A team, and 1 female B team.

In order to build two Novice female teams, three second year Initiation female players were brought up to play on the B team (SA729). The advanced players seem adjust well and have a good season, and no issues have to been brought forward to me in regards to their advancement.

Overall I think all 10 Interlock teams experienced a competitive season and seemed to develop very well.

Some concerns were raised about one of the tier 1A team's winning record and early success. SAMHA VP Hockey Operations, Michael Tymko and I met with Edmonton Federation Hockey Association (EFHA) Novice Governors, Edmonton Federation Hockey League (EFHL) Director of Community Hockey, and several association members of the EFHL about the disparity between the winning records of the 1A tier drafted teams. SAMHA representatives explained the long standing evaluation and draft process, which was implemented in all division categories. All association members of the EFHL accepted that both of the 1A tier teams were equally drafted and closed the matter.

Discussions about the new Hockey Canada and Hockey Alberta mandate for Novice have begun with Hockey Alberta and other Alberta hockey associations. Hockey Canada has mandated that Novice aged players must play half-ice or cross-ice hockey by the 2019/2020 season, with the 2018/2019 season considered a transition year. While many details of the Hockey Canada Novice program are not optional, Hockey Alberta has indicated the potential of creating a complete Novice program mandate. At this point I do not expect that SAMHA will have the ability to change or modify the Hockey Canada or Hockey Alberta Novice program for the 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 seasons, but nothing is certain at this time. More information about the changes coming to Novice division will be shared on the website as they become known.

Thank you to all the coaches, managers, and parent volunteers for a fantastic year, and a special thank you to all the head coaches who's commitment to their players and willingness to take responsibility for a team is greatly appreciated by me, their players, and player's parents. The professionalism of all the team's volunteers is one of many things that makes SAMHA standout among the hockey community. All the selfless volunteer hours makes a big difference and enables kids to experience hockey. I hope everyone found it as rewarding I did and return next year.

Ken
Novice Director

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association Executive Report

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| NAME | Paul D. Reid | Position | ATOM Director |
| DATE | May 2018 | Meeting | |

Overview

- Approx 323 players registered in the 2017-2018 season.
- 20 teams: 2 Female, 18 Co-ed.
 - St. Albert Atom Development League: 4 teams all Co-ed.
 - EMHA (Federation) 14 Co-ed & 2 Female

Evaluations

- All players were notified via the SAMHA website. The attendance rate was ~97%.
- –Kevin Filipowski Hockey (KFW) an evaluation company out of Spruce Grove was utilized for these evaluations.
- Most parents and players were very satisfied with evaluations this season. There were some hiccups with reporting but was eventually worked out.
- Each player attended four scrimmages.
- After the placement scrimmage, three 1 hour scrimmages were conducted with the players falling in to either A, B, or C category depending on their time placement from the skill slot. These were based upon (aggregate) skill time rankings.
- Players were evaluated by Kevin Filipowski Hockey (KFW) during these three scrimmages and were moved either up or down (or stayed where they were) after the first and second scrimmage.

Team Formation

- Interlock teams had 17+- players (2 goalies & 15 skaters) on each team.
- Development had approx 14+- players (1 goalie & 14 skaters) on each team.

INTERLOCK

The Interlock teams were set up and assigned on the following basis:

- 16 teams were in EMHA (Edmonton Minor Hockey Association). 14 Co-ed & 2 Female.

- Three in B1, Two in B2, one in B3, two in B4, two in B5 and two in B6.
 - Please note I am still using the SAMHA designation of “ B “ to denote the SAMHA teams. The B1 teams a provincially ranked as AA, B2 as A, etc. <https://www.hockeyalberta.ca/atb-financial-provincial-championships/zone-playdowns/zone-3-playdowns/>

INITIAL TIERING

| | | | |
|-------|-----------------------------|-----|----|
| SA731 | SA731 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 1A |
| SA732 | SA732 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 1A |
| SA733 | SA733 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 1A |
| SA734 | SA734 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 1B |
| SA735 | SA735 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 1B |
| SA736 | SA736 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 2B |
| SA737 | SA737 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 3A |
| SA738 | SA738 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 3A |
| SA739 | SA739 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 3C |
| SA740 | SA740 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 3C |
| SA741 | SA741 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 4B |
| SA742 | SA742 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 4B |
| SA743 | SA743 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 5A |
| SA744 | SA744 - ST ALBERT | ATM | 5A |
| SA745 | SA745 - ST ALBERT FEMALE | ATM | 3C |
| SA746 | SA746 - ST ALBERT FEMALE | ATM | 6A |

- The three B1 stayed in the Canadians AA division throughout the season placing 1st , 2nd and 4th after the final round.
- The two B2 teams stayed in ATOM A Maple Leaf Division placing 4th and 5th.
- The one B3 teams stayed in OILERS 1A division ended up in 3rd place. Only one team was drafted at this level and was very competitive throughout the season.
- The two B4 teams started at the same and remained at the same tier.
- The two coed B5 teams played in the same division as the female A team. All three were competitive in 3C Canucks.
- The two B6 teams moved up two tiers combined with a collapsed tier during the season.
- Both female teams SA 743 & 744 moved up from their respective tiers. SA743 was tiered far below their skill set for the first round but was rectified for the second round-DEVILS 4B. I will be

seeking the returning coaches input on where to place the teams next season.

Almost all teams remained competitive in all rounds in EHMA. In most cases placing top 4. Most movement came after the first round. This can be attributed to each season being different (level of skilled players from all clubs in the EMHA) and placement can be difficult before the season starts.

- 20 league games were played.
- Approx 23 shared practices per team but this may have fluctuated due to the ice shortage St. Albert faces.

Provincials:

- 5 teams participated this season:
 - SA731,732, 733, 736 & 742
 - SA 731 captured Zone championships in playdowns and very close to winning it all in the final but came away with silver. Congratulations to Henry Hwang on an outstanding run to the Finals.

TOURNAMENTS

- INTERLOCK- Edmonton MHW (Minor Hockey Week) was in January once again this year. All Interlock teams participated. One SAMHA team captured Gold in this tournament. One winning Silver:
- **SA733 - Gold AA Canadians Division- Head Coach Kory Owen.**
- **SA736 – SILVER 2A Oilers Division-Peter Sinclair Head Coach**

ADL (ATOM DEVELOPMENTAL LEAGUE)

- 5 teams (4 from SAMHA & 1 from Sturgeon Minor Hockey Association)
- 20 shared ice SAMHA practices per team (Saturday)
- 20 league games per team (Sunday)

AC 2501 won the Championship-Head Coach- Robert Emond

The 2017-2018 season will be the last for ADL as all Atom teams will be moved to EMHA Interlock.

INTERLOCK EMHA

PLAYOFFS

- SA 731 GOLD in AA Canadians Division. Head Coach- Henry Hwang.
- SA 745 GOLD in 3C Canucks Division. Head Coach- Sandro Pisani
- SA 744 SILVER in 5A Flyers Division. Head Coach- Brian Macsymic

Team Player Draft

INTERLOCK

- EMHA (INTERLOCK) draft was held two days after the last scrimmage were complete. All the Interlock teams were drafted in one and the ADL the next night.
- Each draft was observed by VP of Hockey (Michael Tymko) for Interlock and for ADL.
- At both Interlock and ADL drafts each Head Coach was permitted to pick an Assistant Coach resulting in that player being non draft pick for another team.
 - For a Coach or Assistant Coach to be eligible their child had to be ranked in the appropriate pool of players
- EDMONTON INTERLOCK SA 731, 732 & 733- Tier 1(AA Canadians Division) - Players ranked up to 90.
- EDMONTON INTERLOCK- Tier 2 SA 734 & 735 (A Maple Leafs Division) - Players unpicked and ranked up to 120.
- EDMONTON INTERLOCK- Tier 3 SA 736 (2B Flames Division) - Players unpicked and ranked up to 150.
- EDMONTON INTERLOCK- Tier 4 SA 737 & 738 (3A Senators Division)- Players unpicked and ranked up to 180.
- EDMONTON INTERLOCK- Tier 5 SA 739 & 740 (3C Canucks Division)- Players unpicked and ranked up to 220.
- EDMONTON INTERLOCK- TIER 6 SA 741 & 742 Tier 6- (4B Bruins Division)
- FEMALE TEAMS (SA 745 & 746) were drafted an A& B teams
 - SA745 were tiered in 3C Canucks and were competitive.

- SA 746 started off at 6A Blues and did well.
- **Each coach had to return the return the ranking sheet after their draft was complete.**

ADL DRAFT

- To promote balance the draft order in odd rounds was determined by lottery with reverse order of selection being used for even rounds.

DEVELOPMENT

- **Coach Mentorship**
 - This was and still is a great idea. Coaches get to learn from a Coach Mentor that is hired by SAMHA to visit teams and work with the coaching staff and players on drills, skills, and practice planning. We need to do this again for the 2018-2019 season.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

- Each team had three sessions this season with coach mentor.

- **GOALTENDING**
- Keep the sessions that are in place. This was heavily utilized by the Atom goal tenders this season.

I would like to thank Christine who always has time to pick up the phone for me, my coaches and parents. Shannon Maisano (Ice Allocator) who found ice for my teams when needed. Seema King (Registrar) who was always available no matter what time of day. Michelle Lutic my Coordinator who is incredible at what she does, who was a

tremendous help during evaluations and throughout the season. Lastly, I would like to thank the coaches, managers, and anyone else that helped make this another successful season. This organization runs on volunteers and it can't be done without you.

Paul D. Reid
Atom Director

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association AGM Report

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| NAME | Shauna Hudec | Position | Pewee Director |
| DATE | May 27, 2018 | | |

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REPORT

Pewee division had 17 teams entered in federation this year. Three of these teams were females.

EVALUATIONS

Evaluations took place this year from September 13 to September 24. Kevin Filipowski and his company were the evaluators. The skates went off with very few concerns and I did not need to convince parents to volunteer. Michael Tymko and I needed to meet with 3 parents with concerns over children placement and one had a concern over their husband and coaching. I also received multiple comments and emails from parents impressed with how the teams looked this year.

COACHES

After Michael Tymko, Ken Jennings and I conducted interviews, the following individuals were chosen to be the head coaches:

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| SA750 Heath Ryerse | Tier 1 | Stayed in 1 |
| SA751 Brody McIntyre | Tier 1 | Stayed in 1 |
| SA752 Murray Bokenfohr | Tier 2 | Started in 2B moved to 2A |
| SA753 Trent Erickson | Tier 2 | Started in 2B moved to 2A |
| SA754 Paul Reid | Tier 3 | Started in 3B moved to 3A then 2B |
| SA755 Pat Lessard | Tier 3 | Started in 3B moved to 3A then 2B |
| SA756 Kevin Black | Tier 4 | Started in 4B moved to 3B |
| SA757 Darren Moric | Tier 4 | Stayed in 4B |
| SA758 Troy Haymour | Tier 5 | Started in 5A moved to 4B |
| SA759 Don Weatherbee | Tier 5 | Stayed in 5A |
| SA760 Rob McDonald | Tier 6 | Started in 5C moved to 5B then 5A |
| SA761 Tim Saunders | Tier 6 | Started in 5C moved to 5B then 5A |
| SA762 Tony Abrantes | Tier 7 | Started in 6B moved to 6A |
| SA763 Shawn Jewers | Tier 7 | Started in 6B moved to 6A |
| SA764 Chris Gallagher | Female A | Stayed in 2B |
| SA765 Dustin Fahl | Female B | Stayed in 5B |
| SA766 Marshall Fedorvich | Female C | Stayed in 6B |

Coach of the month was awarded to the following coaches:

November Heath Ryerse
December Shawn Jewers
January Trent Erickson
February Tim Saunders

I had to suspend 2 head coaches for failing to enter their game sheets on time with federation. An assistant coach received one game after being ejected from the game. Received minimal complaints or feedback in relation to coaches from the parents.

PLAYERS

I had a total of 277 kids registered in Peewee this year (not including the AA). 53 of these kids were female.

I had very few suspensions for the players. Two were for head contact and three for cross checking.

We had a few concussions this year but one brought the topic to the fore front with SAMHA. The initial doctor ruled it a concussion and the returning doctor said they did not have one. It was agreed that we would follow Hockey Canada guidelines for return to play.

I had 2 racially driven incidents this year directed at our players. One was dealt with by the coach and through the players association. The other...I have sent a letter to federation and have heard nothing as of yet.

We had an intentional kick directed at one of our players in a tournament and as such I sent a letter to their association. I did receive a response.

MINOR HOCKEY WEEK

The following teams made the finals for MHW:

SA750 Silver
SA751 Gold
SA753 Silver
SA754 Gold
SA760 Gold

PROVINCIALS

Due to lack of accommodations and the destination of the host site...many teams backed away from entering. Female B was informed that the only way they could go was to win against the Female A. The team and I wrote letters to Hockey Alberta but we were not successful in getting them moved into the B pool. The female B did not proceed any further.

The female A team was the zone 3 representative and did not have to face any play downs. At Provincials they had a record of 1-1-1 and did not make it to the semi's.

SA750 entered into Provincials and had a bye the first round. Their first play down was against Drayton Valley. They lost both games.

SA751 entered into Provincials and had to play Stony Plain. They defeated this team and had a bye in the second round. They then played Drayton Valley in which they lost the first game and tied the second. They did not move on.

CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The following teams made the finals:

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| SA751 | Gold |
| SA752 | Silver |
| SA754 | Gold |
| SA755 | Silver |
| SA757 | Gold |
| SA762 | Gold |

OTHER

I sent a total of 6 letters on behalf of my teams to Ref in Chiefs. One to Drayton Valley in regards to a Provincial play down, one to NEZ in regards to ref fee's being charged, one to NWZ addressing concerns from a parent, the remainder to our Ref in Chief.

Rob Buchanan, John Glass, Michael Tymko, Brian Paradis and I were all members of the equipment committee. We met with multiple vendors and saw lots of wonderful products. It was determined that we did not need to purchase jerseys this year.

Gill Hermans, Clayton Billey and I represented SAMHA at a sports day at Servus center.

I was a rink manager at Grand Trunk, Mark Messier and Troy Murray for MHW.

THANK YOU

This was my first year as peewee director and I have many people to acknowledge. Michael Tymko and Paul Reid, your guidance and support were appreciated. You helped me out of some different situations. Shannon Maisano was the best ice allocator a director could hope for. Seema King, you handled my last minute requests quick and orderly. Holly Tanner and Christina Shoults, I appreciate all the support and help. To the rest of the board and executive...you made me feel welcome and assisted me along the way. All of you had tremendous knowledge and were able to guide and assist me. To all my coaches and parent volunteers...we could not run without you and I appreciate all that you did.

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association AGM Report

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| NAME | Brian Paradis | Position | Bantam Director |
| DATE | May 27, 2018 | | |

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REPORT

The 2017-2018 season is complete and I would like to thank all Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Managers and Treasurers on all the Co-Ed and Female teams that represented St. Albert Minor Hockey Association this past year. A big thank you goes out to other team officials and parents for the work they did throughout the year with each team to make this a successful year for the Bantam program.

In the St Albert Minor Hockey Association, this past season, the Bantam program was divided into three areas, 3 Checking Divisions, 3 Non Checking Divisions and 2 Female Divisions. The Bantam Director is responsible for the team selection and operation of all SAMHA Bantam teams, Male and Female in relation to their play within the Hockey Edmonton league, tournaments and Provincials.

Fall 2017 Checking Skills Clinic Weekend:

- 94 male skaters registered and 9 did not take part.
- 30 Female registered and 7 did not take part
- Bryant May and his group once again administered a very informative and experienced filled 1.5 hours for each group of skaters.

Once the Raiders Organization Bantam team selection was completed, 1 Male Bantam AAA, 3 Male Bantam AA and 1 Bantam Elite Female, the evaluations process was conducted for the remaining players.

During the Bantam interlock evaluation process:

- Male Program
105 forwards, 51 defensemen and 19 goalies
101 – 2004
80 – 2003
1 – 2002
- Female Program
27 forwards, 12 defensemen and 3 goalies
32 – 2004
9 – 2003
1 - 2002

The evaluation process was conducted as follows:

I would like to thank all parents who helped out during the evaluation process to make sure every player received a jersey, had their gate open and that we had all jerseys returned after each skate.

Goalie evaluations:

Friday September 22, 2017

Bantam Checking Evaluations – MALE

Saturday Sept. 23 – Skills Evaluations

Sunday Sept. 24 – Scrimmage 1

Monday Sept. 25 – Scrimmage 2: We will be downsizing the group to players (70+/-) that will be in the Draft for checking level, Bantam A and B

Tuesday Sept. 26 – Scrimmage 3 and coach selections

Wednesday Sept. 27 – Bantam checking draft

Bantam Female evaluations –

Sunday Sept. 24 – Scrimmage 1

Wednesday Sept. 27 – Scrimmage 2

Thursday Sept. 28 – Scrimmage 3 and coach selections

Friday Sept. 29 – Bantam Female Draft

Bantam Non-Checking Evaluations

Friday Sept. 29 – Scrimmage 1

Saturday Sept. 30 – Scrimmage 2

Sunday Oct. 1 – Scrimmage 3 and coach selections

Tuesday Oct. 3 – Bantam Non-Checking Draft

Bantam Checking Divisions:

Hockey Edmonton implemented Bantam A and Bantam B as Checking Divisions for the 2017/18 season and with that SAMHA was allowed to have 1 Bantam 1 team, 1 Bantam 2 team and 2 Bantam 3 teams. Checking Division teams received full schedules of 20 regular season games with no movement allowed from one tier to another.

Bantam 1 – Murray Bokenfohr: 11 forwards/6 defense/2 goalies

Bantam 2 – Sean Stewart: 11 forwards/6 defense/2 goalies

Bantam 3 – Mike Fitka: 11 forwards/6 defense/2 goalies

Bantam 3 – Ruben Jeffery: 11 forwards/6 defense/2 goalies

Bantam Non-Checking Divisions:

There are three rounds of play within the Hockey Edmonton league where teams are provided the opportunity based on their records to move up or down into a more competitive division. All Bantam teams were placed in tiers that I felt along with the coaches where they should begin the season.

Tier 4A – Terry Degner: 9 forwards/5 defense/2 goalies

Tier 4B – Mike Jones: 9 forwards/5 defense/2 goalies

Tier 5A – Carmen Rago: 11 forwards/4 defense/2 goalies

Tier 5A – Luke Brimmage: 11 forwards/4 defense/2 goalies

Tier 5B – Garth Borle: 10 forwards/5 defense/1 goalie

Tier 6A – Darren Hanson: 11 forwards/4 defense/2 goalies

Bantam Female Divisions:

For the 2016/17 season SAMHA was able to have 1 Bantam A team and 2 Bantam B teams which included 1 2002 Over age Female players that moved up to fill the team rosters. Without the assistance of HOCVP Michael Tymko and from the parents of the players the Bantam division would not have been able to ice 3 teams. Female Division teams received full schedules of 20 regular season games with no movement allowed from one tier to another.

Bantam A Female – Terry Densmore: 9 forwards/4 defense/1 goalie

Bantam B Female – Troy Deib: 9 forwards/4 defense/1 goalie

Bantam B Female – Andy Kyle: 9 forwards/4 defence/1 goalie

HE Final Standings: Bantam division summary

| TEAM | GMS | WINS | LOSS | TIE | PTS | GF | GA | +/- |
|--|-----|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| SA768 - Bantam 1 Butler - (Murray Bokenfohr) | 25 | 15 | 7 | 3 | 33 | 119 | 72 | 47 |
| SA769 - Bantam 2 Fredrick - (Sean Stewart) | 25 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 28 | 112 | 88 | 24 |
| SA770 - Bantam 3 Pruden - (Mike Fitka) | 25 | 13 | 7 | 5 | 31 | 78 | 64 | 14 |
| SA771 - Bantam 3 Pruden - (Ruben Jeffery) | 23 | 12 | 7 | 4 | 28 | 84 | 63 | 21 |
| SA772 - Bantam 4A Barnes - (Terry Degner) | 24 | 4 | 18 | 2 | 10 | 60 | 131 | -71 |
| SA773 - Bantam 4B Wells - (Mike Jones) | 25 | 14 | 6 | 5 | 33 | 116 | 89 | 27 |
| SA774 - Bantam 5A Ross - (Carmen Rago) | 23 | 10 | 9 | 4 | 24 | 91 | 80 | 11 |
| SA775 - Bantam 5A Ross - (Luke Brimmage) | 23 | 7 | 13 | 3 | 17 | 84 | 114 | -30 |
| SA776 - Bantam 5B Lee – (Garth Borle) | 24 | 11 | 11 | 2 | 24 | 88 | 92 | -4 |
| SA777 – Bantam 6A Fysh – (Darren Hanson) | 25 | 17 | 5 | 3 | 37 | 169 | 90 | 79 |
| SA779 - Female Bantam A - (Terry Densmore) | 23 | 13 | 7 | 3 | 29 | 63 | 43 | 20 |
| SA780 - Female Bantam B - (Troy Deib) | 24 | 8 | 12 | 4 | 20 | 47 | 56 | -9 |
| SA781 - Female Bantam B - (Andy Kyle) | 25 | 17 | 4 | 4 | 38 | 66 | 41 | 22 |

Minor Hockey Week was very successful in the Bantam division for St Albert. I would like to acknowledge the following accomplishments:

SA768 (Murray Bokenfohr) - Silver in Bantam 1 (Butler Division)

SA770 (Mike Fitka) - Silver in Bantam 3 (Pruden Division)

SA773 (Mike Jones) - Gold in Bantam Tier 4B (Wells Division)

SA777 (Darren Hanson) - Silver in Bantam Tier 6A (Fysh Division)

SA779 (Terry Densmore) - Silver in Bantam A Female

In the playoffs we are able to acknowledge the following accomplishments:

SA769 (Sean Stewart): Bantam 2 Frederick - City Champs

SA770 (Mike Fitka): Bantam 3 Pruden - City Champs

SA777 (Darren Hanson): Bantam 6A Fysh - City Champs

SA780 (Andy Kyle): Female B Division – City Champs

Teams to whom I provided assistance were also entered into Provincial tournaments and we are able to acknowledge the following accomplishments:

SA779 (Terry Densmore) Female A Provincial Representative

2018 St. Albert Family Day Weekend Hockey Tournament:

This year SAMHA Bantam Non-Checking division join the Midget Non-Checking division to host our first local St. Albert Bantam Hockey tournament. For the tournament it was decided to have Tier 5 host the 8 team weekend tournament. SA774 and SA775 were able to produce a great tournament that attended by Fort McMurray, 2 Okotoks teams, SEERA, SWZ and SA776.

This tournament would not have been a success if the teams that helped host it did not come together as a group to have a silent auction, raffle table and 50/50. Both SA774 and SA775 did an amazing job that all of SAMHA should be proud of.

A special thank you goes out to Shannon Maisano (ice Allocator), Chantelle Brimmage and Adrienne Healy for all the extra work to help me organize the group of volunteers and teams.

Congratulations to SA774 for keeping the trophy in St. Albert in our first of many tournaments to come. Hopefully next years will see a different tier in Bantam have this tournament.

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association was represented locally at many tournaments locally and did very well. I would like to thank all the team for representing St. Albert and SAMHA on the highest level of respect, behavior and competitiveness, I am very proud of all the players and coaches, your team represented SAMHA with class, dignity and ability which is what our community desires from our citizens.

There will be no Checking Clinic for 2018/19 Season.

This will be the first season without the checking clinic being offered. I have been getting good responses that everyone appreciates the trust in the coaches at the Pee Wee and Atom levels for their abilities to teach the checking/angling to the players. They hope that in the seasons to come that all coaches will be mentored closely so their player receives the proper training.

I would like to personally thank Holly and Christina for all their help throughout the entire season. I would also especially like to thank Shannon Maisano our ice allocator and Seema King SAMHA Registrar's for their assistance this season.

As Bantam Director for the past 2 seasons it was a great opportunity to learn about the St Albert Minor Hockey Association and see the opportunity we are able to provide to all children. Without the support of the SAMHA board and the administration I would not have been to work through the number of challenges that aroused throughout season. All of them provided me with their knowledge and experience to help with the evolution of the season. I am once again amazed by the numerous hours that the SAMHA Board puts in to make everything work. The Bantam program was a success largely as the result of the assistance of these individuals and the leadership provided by the coaches selected.

My focus to players and coaches is to represent St Albert Minor Hockey, St Albert, their team, their family and themselves well - I am proud of the way the Bantam division represented this season.

I would like to thank all for the opportunity for being the Bantam Director the past 2 seasons. As this will be my last year as Bantam Director, Please remember that if it was not for the volunteers that help run the teams our children would not be provided with the direction needed to improve their game and themselves as individuals. I wish everyone luck in their future.

Regards,

Brian Paradis
Bantam Director

**St. Albert Minor Hockey Association
AGM Report**

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| NAME | Paul D. Reid | Position | Midget & Junior C Director |
| DATE | May 2018 | | |

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING REPORT

The Midget division of the St. Albert Minor Hockey will complete yet another successful season at the end of March with just over 95~ players registered throughout the program on five different teams.

Evaluations:

- All players were notified via the SAMHA website. The attendance rate was ~88%.
- Evaluations were done over two scrimmages, where players were evaluated by coaches with the exception of the goalies. BAR DOWN produced goalie evaluators
- I recommend we keep the two scrimmage format as very little movement is present and having a third skate seems to be redundant.
- Draft took place in Oct where five teams (four coed & one female) were formed. (SA 782, 783 – 785 & 786) 788 for female
- 782 & 783 were Hit teams.
- 785 & 786 were No Hit teams.
- 788 is female.

EMHA

- SA 782 started in A Bonner but after the tiering round was moved to Midget 2 Davis.
- SA 783 started in B Davis and after the tiering round moved to Midget 3 Ruptash
- SA 785 started in 4A Holt and remained.
- SA 786 started in 5A Turner and stayed.
- SA 788 started in B and stayed in B.

Minor Hockey Week

Still great to see Midget players participate in this tournament. Although I would like to see the tournament return to a two game loss knock out and not just a guaranteed two games.

We had two teams medal this season:

- SA 785 GOLD- Coach Scott Petter
- SA 788 SILVER- Coach Jeffrey Matte

DEVELOPMENT

- Gold in the Net was not utilized this season for goal keepers.
- This didn't preclude any midget from requesting to attend any sessions as we would accommodate that request the best we could.
- Midget goalies piggy backed on the Bantam sessions.

The structure of this included:

-Players and Coaches signed up a week in advance for their available time slot

-All Coaches in attendance will received handouts of drills, tips; in effect, learning with their Goaltenders

This is still a fantastic program but is not utilized by Midget players enough to warrant using them having their own session next season.

2nd Annual Midget NO HIT Tournament.

- SAMHA hosted the first every No Hit Midget Tournament Family Day weekend. It was a tremendous success.
- 8 teams played a minimum of 4 (three-20 minutes) games utilizing Servus & Kinex/Akinsdale ice.
- Teams that participated were:
 - St. Albert SA 785
 - St. Albert SA 786
 - NWZ Chill
 - Beaumont
 - Warman, SK
 - Bow Valley Flames
 - Simons Valley
 - Fort Mac

Simons Valley were Champions this season.

I had over 13 teams on the wait list and another 11 teams inquire about wanting to enter.

We need to do this again for the no hit teams **every season** as its very difficult for these teams to find a tournament to play in.

PLAYOFFS

- All teams battled hard during playoffs. The following teams ended their playoff run with:

SA 785 City Champions (GOLD) HOLT in Davis division. Scott Petter-Head Coach.

SA 788 SILVER – FEMALE B Division- Jeffrey Matte-Head Coach

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2016-2017 SEASON

- SAMHA HIT TEAMS (assuming there is 2 of them) should start out in Midget B 2 Davis and Midget B 3 Ruptash respectively. If there is 3 in the 2018-2019 season one team should be in Midget 2 Davis and the other two in in Midget 3 Ruptash.

JUNIOR C:

I would like to thank Tom Smart (Head Coach) of the St. Albert Comets Junior C team for this tireless work he has given this team, city, organization and young men over the past 7 years. Tom has decided to step away from Junior C and commit and his energies to our Intro to Hockey Program. Tom would be an asset no matter where he lands within the hockey world.

I would like to thank Christine who always has time to pick up the phone for me, and my coaches and parents. Shannon Maisano (Ice Allocator) who found ice for my teams when needed. Lastly, I would like to thank my fellow board members, managers, and anyone else that helped make this another successful season. This organization runs on volunteers and it can't be done without you.

Paul Reid
Midget & Junior C Director

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association

AGM Report

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| NAME | Shannon Maisano | Position | Ice Allocator |
| DATE | May | Meeting | AGM |

REPORTING PERIOD

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| FROM | September 1, 2017 | TO | March 31, 2018 |
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SAMHA Ice statistics for 2017/18

| Group | Hours | % |
|--|-----------------|----------------|
| Clinics (non-team specific – Goalies, Referees, Group Power Skating) | 96.25 | 1.69% |
| Development Leagues | 742.50 | 13.02% |
| Club (Raiders) | 1330.25 | 23.33% |
| Interlock- includes all teams interlocked with EMHA | 3466.50 | 60.79% |
| Junior C | 58.00 | 1.02% |
| Unassigned | 8.50 | 0.15% |
| GRAND TOTAL | 5,702.00 | 100.00% |

| Month | Hours | % |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| September | 569.25 | 9.98% |
| October | 946.00 | 16.59% |
| November | 916.75 | 16.08% |
| December | 802.00 | 14.07% |
| January | 980.75 | 17.20% |
| February | 907.00 | 15.91% |
| March | 580.25 | 10.18% |
| GRAND TOTAL | 5,702.00 | 100.00% |

| Event | Hours | % |
|--|-----------------|----------------|
| League games | 1653 | 28.99% |
| Evaluations | 320.25 | 5.62% |
| Playoff games and provincial playdowns | 271 | 4.75% |
| Tournaments | 341.25 | 5.98% |
| Practices | 2644.75 | 46.38% |
| Team Bookings | 358.5 | 6.29% |
| Clinics, Special Events & Unassigned | 113.25 | 1.99% |
| GRAND TOTAL | 5,702.00 | 100.00% |

**St. Albert Minor Hockey Association
AGM Report**

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| NAME | Seema King | Position | Registrar |
| DATE | May 9, 2018 | | |

ANNUAL GENERAL REPORT

| Division | Male | Female | Total Players | Co- Ed Teams | Female Teams | Total Teams |
|--------------------|------|--------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Intro to Hockey | 185 | 33 | 218 | 5 | | 5 |
| Initiation | 153 | 23 | 176 | 12 | | 12 |
| Novice | 278 | 34 | 312 | 18 | 2 | 20 |
| Atom | 298 | 34 | 332 | 18 | 2 | 20 |
| Pewee | 274 | 54 | 328 | 17 | 3 | 20 |
| Bantam | 255 | 62 | 317 | 14 | 4 | 18 |
| Midget | 171 | 61 | 232 | 9 | 3 | 12 |
| Junior C | 21 | | 21 | 1 | | 1 |

- Total Number of Teams – **108**
- Total Number of Registered Players – **1932**
- Total Number of Registered Bench Staff – **702**
- Player registration **increased** by **168** players from 2016 -2017

Thank you to the SAMHA Executive Board, Hockey Operations Committee, Office Staff, Raiders Board, as well as all the Coaches, Managers and Players for all the hard work and dedication this Season!

Development Director Report

2017-2018

SUMMARY

The SAMHA development programming has had some significant changes this past year. The most noticeable was the change of providers. Wade Burt with 200 Hockey, Cody Osborne with PGI and Steve Adams with the Inside Edge were the providers that worked with us for the year. The programming model remained similar to last year with a few minor tweaks in scheduling.

200 Hockey ran the weekly Power Program and the Team Development Programs. We will again be working with them to enhance the player and team development. PGI will also continue to run the goalie development programs for us. We will be working with all providers to improve and enhance the current programming.

Our Coach certification process was changed this year to run evening sessions that enabled coaches and assistants to attend the courses without giving up entire days to obtain the required courses. All of the course scheduling is now run through Hockey Alberta. This new process is in place to ensure that there are no overlapping courses being run simultaneously in the region. This affects us as we are no longer able to run courses based on our schedule. Although this does put some constraints, upon us Hockey Alberta has been fantastic to work with in accommodating SAMHA's needs.

There were significant changes to the Intro to Hockey/Initiation division with the use of an external provider to run the Intro program, using volunteer coaches to assist with the on ice portions. This method was used to ensure consistency with the implementation of the program and also to provide a solid base of guidance to our new coaches.

Hockey Canada has started implementation of the half ice novice program. As we are a partner within the Edmonton Federation and participate in the interlock divisions we are still awaiting a decision from them in order to decide the direction that SAMHA will proceed with. We do know that the deadline to comply with the mandate from HC is the start of the 2019-2020 season. The following link to HC's web page provides more insight to the scope of the upcoming changes. <https://www.hockeycanada.ca/en-ca/hockey-programs/coaching/novice> This is a VERY contentious issue for parents and we will be providing updates once the AGM is complete and we have the new executive in place.

Financials for the development budget are located in the treasurer's report.

Any questions, concerns or suggestions please don't hesitate to contact me!

Andrew Chuckrey

developmentdirector@samha.ca

St. Albert Minor Hockey Association AGM Report

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| NAME | Joe Becigneul | Position | Referee in Chief |
| DATE | May 14, 2018 | Meeting | AGM |

We completed another very successful season for the St. Albert Referees Association.

Again beginning in late August, we were able to evaluate some up and coming officials through the evaluation skates of the Bantam AAA and Bantam AA tryouts and following with the Midget AAA tryouts. So while the players were skating for a spot on the teams, we had about fifteen officials skating for the opportunity to work some of the Raider Club hockey.

This season we had a freshmen class of 27 new officials. Most took their accreditation clinic here in St. Albert either through our clinic or through the St. Albert Sports Academy. Our first Mother / Daughter combination which garnered some media coverage on both CBC and Global TV three years ago is now Mother / Daughter / Daughter / Son as all of Shelley Knowlton's children have followed her into the officiating ranks.

We also ran three other classes of 30 second, third year, and higher-level returnees. We have about 12 officials working in the North Zone Senior Program who officiate games around the Capital Region and beyond. We ended up with 143 officials this year. Our Novice and Atom Development leagues are a blessing for introducing new officials to the game of hockey from a referee perspective.

We built on our mentorship program from the two previous seasons. Throughout October, November and through the Christmas Tournaments, each game the first year officials worked, they either worked with a mentor, they were on-ice shadowed, or they were supervised from the stands. The shadow program is a tremendous tool for first year officials. It helps them build the confidence they need to officiate while allowing the mentors to work with them on positioning and signals. This program was developed here in St. Albert and has since been adopted nationally. Because of the extensive work with our first year officials, we again lost only a few officials who did not return from last season and I anticipate that most of this year's class will return next season. Nationally, the turnover rate for first year officials approaches 60% in most jurisdictions, including Alberta.

For our third, fourth and fifth year officials, we expanded the RATT program (Referee Advanced Technical Training). Working with seven senior officials, Arron Best expanded and further developed on-ice and off-ice programs that included monthly skating drills, basics of referee positioning, face-offs, even how they look in their uniforms while at the same time, working with these officials on

dry land training and nutrition. Many of the RATTs have taken their games to new heights. We are totally pleased with the success of the RATT program. We have “graduated” thirteen officials from the RATT program as we introduce more into the stream at the other end and have some big plans for next season. We also invited non-RATT participants to the monthly skating sessions so they can see where they can potentially take their game.

We will keep the RATT program full between 20 and 25 young up and coming officials as we can clearly see the benefits of the program. The RATT program is being mimicked in one form or another in several centres around the Zone and the North Zone itself have also put together a Rural Development program that loosely resembles what we do here. I want to give a huge thank you to Arron Best who first conceived and then introduced the RATT program to St. Albert at the start of the 2009 season. She continues to modify and improve the program. I also want to extend a huge thank you to Shelley Knowlton and Taylor Burzminski, both Development Camp Graduates who come and instruct our monthly referee power skating clinics.

Taylor Burzminski went to the WHL Development Camp – a week long camp held in Calgary by invitation only. Taylor is also skating as a caller across the North Zone at and Junior A, Junior B, ACAC, CIS and Senior Men’s.

Lacey Senuk, one of only two level 5 Female officials in Canada, was invited to Russia for the World Under 18 Championships back in January.

Alex Becigneul called the Junior B league, ACAC and Senior Men’s this season. Alex, Taylor, Lacey, Shelley and Arron are all huge examples to our younger officials of what hard work and dedication can bring.

Devin Kohlhauser was elevated to work pretty much exclusively as a linesman in the WHL and the AJHL. This is outstanding for our association and we were fortunate to have Devin out for some of our monthly skate drills.

For this year’s John Reid Memorial Tournament, again we placed four complete crews into the mix to compete for the Sunday games through the supervision process. I am thrilled to report that we placed a linesman in the B Final, the C Final, a caller in one semi-final and a linesman in the other semi-final. All of these kids accomplished this on their first appearances in the tournament. Kudos to them. Again, we use the John Reid Memorial tournament as a barometer to see how we stack up against the officials from around the province and again, based on how our crews did overall, we are more than pleased with our showing.

Lacey Senuk (with help from of our senior officials), hand picks the officials to work the Peewee AA and A hockey in St. Albert with a critical eye to the development of the official without compromising the officiating of the games. Lacey spends a huge amount of time giving back to our association. She

mentors our RATTs. She works games with them – taking the lesser role so she can provide instant on-ice feedback and she goes out and watches them work games giving them a constructive post game report on how they did. In addition to being a tremendous official, Lacey is leading the charge through her example to our younger officials.

Year after year our Association is blessed with some outstanding volunteers who give back to the association and to the game in ways that go unnoticed by most, but would not get done without them. This season, Arron Best continued coordinating and running the RATT program, Arron has been instrumental in getting our “Intermediate” officials where they are today through the RATT program. Arron does all of this while working three to four games on average per week herself, not only our hockey, but also senior ladies hockey across the city, ACAC, Midget and Bantam AAA Female around the zone.

I also want to extend a huge thank you to Shelley Knowlton. In addition to supervising / mentoring and shadowing St. Albert officials herself, Shelley coordinates our entire Supervision / Shadow program. Shelley recruited several new mentors / shadows from our group who learned how to do proper supervisions and went out working with the younger officials. This year, we had close to 300 supervisions that included well over 100 on our first year officials. Shelley does all this with her three kids playing hockey in the SAMHA ranks, and all three kids now officiating as well. In addition, Shelley can also be seen taking to the ice here in St. Albert and throughout the Capital region where needed for the Senior female program, ACAC, CIS.

I want to thank our game assignors. Gerald Wood again managed our Raider Club assignments. We have some weekends where we wonder how we will get through them, but our officials step up. Lacey Senuk managed our Pee wee AA, and all Pee wee Federation hockey. Kurtis Eykelbosh again managed our Midget and Bantam Federation assignments. I took on the Novice and Atom Leagues. We worked very closely together this season as we strived to stretch some of the officials beyond their comfort zones.

In addition, we had many other on-ice accomplishments this season. St. Albert officials worked 87 EMHA Minor Hockey Week Games from Novice through Midget. For each game worked during MH week, the official was entered into a draw for one of 100 jackets. St. Albert officials won 11 of the 100 jackets this year. We also had 10 officials picked to work final games at Terwillegger on January 20 and 21st.

Looking to next season, I anticipate bringing in a class of 20 new officials. We will be running the program again through the Sports Academy thanks to Geoff Giacobbo. We will be expanding our Mentorship and Shadow programs to include second, third and fourth year officials. We will again be looking to graduate and promote a couple more of our RATTs and have them take on the

role of mentors as we introduce some new officials into the start of the program again. I anticipate the entire executive will be back next season, which assists me greatly.

We will hold a "Write-up Clinic" early next season. Write-ups are an important part of the referee's job and do have a huge impact on the outcome stemming from a game incident. The game write-up needs to be done properly. While this problem is certainly not unique to St. Albert, we have the ability to fix it in our centre. I will be soliciting some feedback from a few of the directors for the course content for this mini clinic. Arron is looking at putting together a three day mini-camp in late August. It is a work in progress that will involve both on-ice and off-ice training.

The successes we experienced this year were because somebody did the right things for those particular officials five and six years ago when they joined our program. As your RIC, I am a huge proponent of ongoing training, feedback and retention. One item we introduced eight years ago to assist us with retention, was a scholarship program. We will be awarding the eighth scholarship again to one of our officials tonight. Congratulations Jackson Sorenson. Best wishes and good luck in the fall as you pursue your academic pursuits.

While you constantly need to be bringing in new young talent, we also need to identify those with the talent to move along in our program and get them on the right path of development as an official. We need to constantly challenge them to be the best that they can be and occasionally take them out of their comfort zone. I have discovered that when challenged, most young people rise to the occasion. Building on the success of the past several years, we have come a long way this season with the development of many of our young officials. While I appreciate that you may not notice it week in and week out as a coach, player or parent, we notice it as an association. The difference between those young officials who took to the ice in October and the ones who skated off the ice in late March is amazing. As far as we have come as an association, there is still much work to do and I am already looking forward to next season and continuing to build on the successes from this year.

Everything we do with and for our young officials, we could not do without the support of the SAMHA Executive. I want to thank Gill Hermans, Mel Nollski, Michael Tymko and all of the SAMHA Directors who stand solidly behind our referees and who consistently provide me with constructive feedback and help me resolve any issues that arise over the course of the season. I also want to thank the many coaches of our 100 plus teams who have worked with us this year to overcome any problems we might have encountered. I have said it before many times and will say it again, you don't have to travel very far to see the difference in support that the officials receive from their local Minor Hockey Association and the huge difference that makes to the game for all of those involved.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank Shannon, our ice-allocator, not only on behalf of our assignors, but also on behalf of our entire association as she found ice slots so we can continue our official development programs. In addition, Shannon provided us with heads ups on upcoming provincial and playoff games ahead of most team managers so we were able to prepare for them ahead of time ensuring the best available officials were on the ice for the games.

Last and certainly not least, I want to send a huge thank you to our SAMHA office staff, both past and present, Holly Tanner and Christina Shoults. They too were huge supporters of the work we do with our young officials and one of the main reasons the St. Albert Referee's Association is looked upon so favourably across the North Zone.

Thank you.
Joe Becigneul,
Referee in Chief
St. Albert