**Kingston Ringette Association Annual General Meeting - 2023**

**Monday, May 29, 2023 @ 6:00pm**

**Location: Zoom**

Attendance: Dave Hanes, Annick Hughes, Chris Bracken, Katrina Bracken, Jo-Anne Crook, Kim Hart, Dana Compton

**Call to Order:** Dana Compton Second: Katrina Bracken

**Approval of Minutes:** Kim Hart Second: Jo-Anne Crook

**Appointment of Recording Secretary for Meeting:** Katrina Bracken

**Adoption of Agenda:** Katrina Bracken Second: Kim Hart

**Reports:**

**President (Dana Compton)**

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**Vice-President (Annick Hughes)**

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**Secretary (Katrina Bracken)**

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**Treasurer (Kim Hart)**

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**Registar (Kim Hart)**

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**Equipment (Jo-Anne Crook)**

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**Coaching Coordinator (Emily Ferguson)**

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**Fundraising (Jo-Anne Crook)**

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**Ice Scheduler (Chris Bracken)**

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**Tournament Chair (Dave Hanes)**

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**Referee - In - Chief (Dave Hanes)**

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**Off Ice Official Coordinator (Katrina Bracken)**

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**Sports Development/PR/Social Director (Emily Ferguson)**

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**Bingo Coordinator (Annick Hughes)**

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**Webmaster (Kim Hart)**

**Elections**

* President: Last Year
* Treasurer: Last Year
* Vice President - Annick Hughes nominated by Katrina Bracken
  + Seconded: Dana Compton
    - All in favour
* Secretary - Katrina Bracken nominated by Dana Compton
  + Seconded: Annick Hughes
    - All in favour
* Registar - Kim Hart nominated by Dana Compton
  + Seconded: Katrina Bracken
    - All in favour

**Appointed Positions**

* Ice Scheduler - Chris Bracken
* Player Development - OPEN - hold for the summer
* Coaching Coordinator - Katrina Bracken
* Ice Off Officials Coordinator - Katrina Bracken
* Referee- In Chief Coordinator - Dave Hanes
* Tournament Chair - Dave Hanes
* Bingo Coordinator - Annick Hughes
* Equipment Manager - Have each team have a representative
* Fundraising Coordinator - Have each team have a representative
* Webmaster - Kim Hart

**New Business**

* National Ringette Camp next summer
* Steph Doucet continue to work on Power Skating
* Moved forward with the new RAMP website
* Harris Inc Digital Sign $2400 50 shipping each set plus tax - Annick to look into another quote and then

**NEXT MEETING**

Agenda - Discussion for awards/medals; banquet (end of the year or beginning); tournament sanction; gym ringette

**June 19, 2023 @ 7:00pm**

**Motion to adjourn**: Katrina Bracken Second: Kim Hart

Meeting adjourned

KRA Presidents Report - Dana Compton

I usually don’t like starting off with a report of sad news but I feel like the sudden death of one of our very young Executive Members Amy Hanes was a very sad and huge loss to her family, friends and our association. We really felt her loss during the whole year and especially at tournament time with her expertise and knowledge of organizing all the referees with game scheduling and accommodations. We truly have missed Amy’s devotion and wonderful smile. Her father Dave, who is a very strong leader on our executive team that runs our yearly tournaments and who is in charge of the referees, didn't miss any time in his duties and worked so hard for our tournament. We were very appreciative of Dave and our hearts are saddened of the loss of his daughter.

As far as our year's Ringette season we were able to host our annual Tournament this year. It was my first tournament as President. It was a great turn out and all the teams and girls had a great time. We had huge interest, in fact we had to turn a few teams away. Come Try Ringette was a program we have run for a few years. It has brought out new players to our association and the chance for kids to try Ringette and spread the word to others. This year so far we have run one session and the turnout was so amazing that we are planning our next session to be run in 2 age groups. The under 8 year olds on one night and the older kids on the next night. Hoping to bring more kids to the game.

Our executive team has worked so hard and are excited for next year hoping to add another team in an age group U12’s that we didn’t have the last few years.

I can’t thank the Executive members enough for all their hard work. Also to the coaches, bench staff, referees, players, parents and volunteers. We couldn’t do it without all of them.

Cheers

Dana Compton

President KRA

KRA Vice President Report - Annick Hughes

This past year was a good year. With the pandemic years behind us hopefully, we have been able to complete a full season of ringette. We may have less players than previous years, but with covid this was somewhat expected. The players that we do have, have had a very successful season. Games and tournaments were in the books this year. The players of all our teams have learnt lots throughout the season and have grown so much. The players were so excited to be playing! We were able to have a few Come Try Ringette this season and each time they were very successful! Coaches and all bench staff, we have awesome ones! Always there to teach these players and be there for them during practices and games. Parents, we couldn’t do all of this without them! Our exec, who monthly and behind the scenes make everything work.

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Annick

KRA Vice-President

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KRA Secretary Report - Katrina Bracken

Kingston Ringette had a wonderful season. It was nice to be back to business as usual with a regular season and a tournament. As always the credit for the success of this year goes to all the people on the executive, parent volunteers as well as players and coaches. We would not be able to continue without your continued support and appreciation for the sport. I was happy to see new faces step up to help this year and hope that it continues into the next season. To my fellow executives, thank you for all that you do. You do so much to ensure that our players and coaches have all the relevant information so that the season runs smoothly.

Thank you for an amazing season,

Katrina Bracken

KRA Treasurer Report - Kim Hart

Kingston Ringette Association remains in good standing as an Incorporation with Canada Revenue Agency, Ontario Lottery and Gaming Commission, as well as a Quality Ringette Provider as deemed by Ringette Ontario.

Account balances as of March 31, 2023 are as follows:

**General Account: $ 12,545.69**

**Bingo Account: $ 12,893.69**

**Raffle Account: $ 791.96**

Accounts payable as of March 31, 2023: $ 0.00

Accounts receivable as of March 31, 2023: $5,500.31

**Net Income: $7,892.81**

**PLAYER REGISTRATIONS:**

| Registrations | $24,214.63 |
| --- | --- |
| Discounts (3rd family member, goalie, partial season) | $2,137.50 |
| **Balance** | **$22,077.13** |

**ICE RENTALS:**

| Ice Rentals (no tournament) | **$39,339.95** |
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**FUNDRAISING:**

| Fundraising Income | $12,872.22 |
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| Fundraising Expenses | $9,705.93 |
| KRARewards to carry over | $2,669.93 |
| **Balance** | **$496.36** |

**TOURNAMENT:**

| Tournament Income | $58,219.79 |
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| Tournament Expenses | $55,620.19 |
| Balance | **$2,599.60** |

KRA Register Report - Kim Hart

Kingston Ringette was excited to welcome back many members after COVID-19 lockdowns and interruptions.

**Registration Totals:**

Open 18+: 24

U19: 12

U14: 16

FUNdamentals: 14

Kingston Ringette is looking to increase numbers of participants in all divisions while developing young players to play at a higher level of play,

Increased levels of participation at Come Try Ringette events seems promising.

Opportunities for player development will be sought for the 2023/24 season.

U16 and U19 divisions are not anticipated with current membership numbers, however these divisions will be made available for registration and teams will be built based on average age and ability of participants.

Kingston Ringette regularly has participants playing divisions above their age group in the younger divisions, with a few exceptions where over-age members are playing down in younger divisions as their age division is not offered.

Full-time goalies are needed in age divisions U12 and up.

Respect in Sport for Parents is now a requirement for all players under the age of 18. Only one parent/guardian is required to complete the course. The certificate only needs to be completed once. The association was able to reimburse/credit parents who completed this course in the 2022/2023 season, thanks to a grant received. If further grant money is acquired, this could be an option to continue to reimburse new members for this expense.

Board and Bench Staff are 100% volunteer based.

Bench staff are encouraged to register for updates to their training as per Ringette Canada/Ringette Ontario requirements. As in the past, Coaching Development will be covered by the association.

KRA Equipment Manager Report - Jo-Anne Crook

Once again this year we loaned out equivalent to new and returning players. Before the season started, a local high school student assisted me with cleaning up abd going thru all the equipment. We ended up disposing of any broken equipment. The most common piece of equipment loaned was cages.

Coaching Coordinator Report - Emily Ferguson

Not submitted

KRA Fundraising Coordinator Report - Jo-Anne Crook

This year we ran four successful fundraisers.

In the fall we ran the rotary calendar fundraiser. This fundraiser raised $1810.

Our second fundraiser was selling pepperoni sticks. This was our first time doing this fundraiser and it raised.$186 .

Our third fundraiser was the Lili and Maddy scarves. This was our second time doing this fundraiser and we raised $455.22

Our final fundraiser was Make it Sow vegetable and flower seeds. This fundraiser raised $172.48

Ice Scheduler Report - Chris Bracken

This year the city had some turn over in their staffing and as a result they were fairly flexible with our ice requests. We had two hours of ice a week (Tuesday and Wednesday) at the same time as we have had in past years. As well we had one hour of ice a week on Thursdays for the open team.

The initial ice request for next year has already been submitted including the tournament request. The cost for ice is not changing for next year and remains at $266.52.

Chris Bracken

KRA

Ice Scheduler

Tournament Chair Report - Dave Hanes

After a few years of disappointments, we were able to mount a full tournament in 2023 in the last weekend of January. There was a lot of interest, and we hosted the largest Kingston tournament in recent memory, with 64 teams ranging from 18+A and 18+BB down to U10s

and "Fun 2" teams. Finding enough ice hours was a great challenge, and we had consequently many episodes of just two or three hours in succession on outside ice pads -- and, as a result, at times we had as many as seven ice surfaces on the go at the same time. This introduces unwelcome issues like having games that may be subject to Zamboni termination, and puts extra strain on our allocation of off-ice officials (timekeepers and shot-clockers) plus the need to transport many sets of shot-clocks.

All in all, however, the tournament was a great success, and turned a modest profit. We have made careful notes of the various ways in which there may be room for improvement in next year's event. In the coming year, for instance, we will once again strongly petition the City for a more friendly ice-allocation policy, one in which we can hope to have longer unbroken spells of ice hours on a smaller number of arenas (rather than a fragmented schedule).

As always, a great debt of gratitude is owed to the many members of the KRA community who took up the important volunteer roles and allowed the tournament to run so well.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Hanes

KRA Tournament Convenor 2023

Referee in Chief Report - Dave Hanes

With a return to regular league play this year (following a long CoVid hiatus), we had a regular cycle of NCRRL league games, well handled by our continuing corps of Kingston-based referees. I am glad to report that most of those referees will be with us in the coming year as well. In addition to league games, our local referees handled a couple of special events: a one-day three-game series of games at Centre 70 for three visiting 18+A teams in late February; and a single celebratory end-of-season game between the two Queen's University "A" teams at the Leon's Centre in early April.

The cycle of Ringette-Ontario evaluations of and clinics for referees also restarted this year after the long CoVid interruption. Both these activities will pick up pace into the new season, and we will be hoping to recruit new referee candidates early in the Fall.

I would also like to record the fact that KIngston-based referee Alex Hanes was selected this year by Ringette Canada to be one of the three Canadian referees to serve at the World Championships in Helsinki, Finland, in November of 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Hanes

KRA Referee-in-Chief

Off Ice Official Coordinator Report - Katrina Bracken (Amy Hanes)

It was with a heavy heart that we lost a key member of our executive and KRA family. In October 2022 Amy Hanes suddenly passed away. This loss was felt throughout our association and we will miss her everyday. When I stepped in to help cover this position I knew that I would have some big shoes to fill. Amy dedicated so much of her time and effort into making sure that every game was covered. We had a total of 15 timekeepers and shot clockers from Kingston this year. We trained 4 new timekeepers and shot clockers. Next season we will be looking to train even more, especially shot clockers who are able to work the higher leveled games.

Thank you for all of the support and help from the executive as we made the challenging transition in the fall. We will always miss you Amy and know that you can never be replaced.

Thank you,

Katrina Bracken

KRA Bingo Coordinator Report - Annick Hughes

The Bingo’s have brought in a lot of money for KRA this past year. As per the Charity and Volunteer Manager for Play! Charitable Gaming Association, this past year has been record

breaking! The total revenue for 2022/2023 was $2,054,235. KRA has a handful of volunteers and they have been amazing as we have never had to return shifts for lack of volunteers. Ideally, if we had a few more volunteers, it would be even better as I wouldn’t have to rely on the same people all the time. The bingos are a great revenue for KRA which helps us keep our costs down.

Annick

KRA Bingo Coordinator