

## 2024/2025 U11 BMHA Year End Director Report

This season U11 division had 123 kids registered. Pre-Conditioning started the first week of September. Evaluations were held the last weekend of September (27-29) for the A team and outside evaluators were used and a team was selected with 14 players. The Sharks also held tryouts with outside evaluators and selected a team of 18 players

Teams were made and 6 TriCity teams were created with 14-16 kids on each team. Each team had a goalie and all 6 teams played in the B division within the TriCity league, this included the all female Sharks team. TriCity league started for B division started November 23<sup>rd</sup> weekend. Each team had around 20 league games and went to 2-4 tournaments throughout the season. Battlefords hosted the West B division playoff tournament and 2 Battleford teams ended up placing as the top two teams (Team Bentley and Team Collins). These two teams faced off for the 'Best of 3 West Championship' with Team Collins winning the match up.

The A team was part of the TriCity league this year and their league started November 15<sup>th</sup> weekend. They played 19 league games and attended 6 tournaments. They ended up with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in the league.

3 PD goalie camps were ran by Focus Goaltending for the U9/U11 divisions.

All teams had two practices per week, one morning practice and one after school/evening practice. The A team decided as a team that they wanted individual ice for every practice so they travelled out of town roughly 3 times a month at their own cost to accommodate this. I gave morning ice as shared ice as I was informed that attendance wasn't the best when I took over as director in November. Each B team got 1-2 individual ice per month and I rotated those to make practices numbers as even as possible as in-town ice is a challenge for the whole association.

The A team hosted a successful one day mini tournament in Wilkie with 3 other teams as it was struggle to find teams to host a 2-3 day tournament. Thank you to everyone who helped run the tournament and work games.

All B teams took part and hosted a successful home tournament as well with 16 teams. This tournament was ran as a C tournament. Thank you to everyone on the tournament committee for running a large and successful tournament.

We brought in Ritchie Reghier again this year at the beginning of the season to do skill sessions. These ran until November.

Just wanted to say thank you to all the coaches, managers, and on ice helpers. Our hockey program could not run without all those who step up and help on and off the ice and it is greatly appreciated. Have a great off season and see you all back in the rink in the fall.

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