

## **U9 Directors Report**

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**There were 105 players registered and playing in the U9 division for the 2024-25 hockey season. 36 female players were registered with the Sharks and 69 players were registered on the coed Barons teams. We had a total of 10 teams this year including the coed carded team. Three Sharks teams and six Barons teams. Players started off the season in conditioning groups and skated over several weeks. Once teams were drafted, they practiced a few times per week and games were played mostly on weekends.**

**The Blue Barons team was coached by Ryon Haggard , assisted by Derek Keller, along with parent help from Lauren & Andrew Stade. Team manager was Melissa McMurphy. The team had 11 players and 2 APs that played regularly. They attended three tournaments between December and March including the home tournament.**

**The Charcoal Barons team was coached by Phil McGee and assisted by Kris Dushire & Kris Higgs. The team manager was Melissa McGee. The team had 11 players and 3 APs. They attended three tournaments between December and March including the home tournament.**

**The Silver Barons team was coached by Keegan Sparrow, assisted by Brad Kuntz and Dustin Elder. Team manager was Joelle Kuntz. The team had 12 players and a few APs. They attended three tournaments between December and March including the home tournament.**

**The Gold Barons team was coached by Brennon Strain, assisted by Nick Strain and Ryan Woloshyn. Team manager was Laurissa Hawkins. The team had 12 players and a few APs. They attended three tournaments between December and March including the home tournament.**

**The Maroon Barons team were coached by Cody Danberg and assisted by Dillon Friesen and Aaron Herbel. Team manager was Garron Horn. The team had 12 players and a few APs. They attended four tournaments between December and March.**

**The Carded Team (Coed) was coached by Cody Danberg and assisted by Ryon Haggard and Keegan Sparrow with on ice help from Kendall Fransoo and Reid Delainey. The team manager was Colleen Vany. The**

team had 14 players rostered with a few APs. They had a successful season with lots of growth. They attended the 4 carded weekends.

The Teal Sharks team was coached by Keegan Sparrow, assisted Jamie Shynkaruk, Brandon Taylor, Mitch Hawtin. The team was managed by Ivy Regnier. The team had 12 players rostered. They attended 3 jamboree weekends and the home tournament.

The Black Sharks were coached by Mike Gerein and assisted by Frazer Donahue, Maddy Muzyka and on ice help from Brad Mitchell and Breagen Jameison. The team was Managed by Courtney Fauchon. The team had 12 rostered players. They attended 3 jamboree weekends and the home tournament.

The White Sharks were coached Rory Gregoire and assisted by Ashley Rafuse, Brad Eischen and Ryan Muyres. The team was managed by Caitlyn Bird. The team had 12 players rostered. They attended 3 jamboree weekends and the home tournament.

### **U9 Female Teams**

The 3 U9 Female Sharks teams practiced together all year. Making sure that there were enough coaches and parent help to go around. They 3 teams attended the 3 jamboree weekends with the Warman, Martensville and Delisle teams.

The Sharks also combined over the Christmas break to make 2 teams and compete in the Prince Albert Foxes tournament. One team taking home Gold in the A final and the other team winning silver in the B final.

### **PD Day Goalie Development**

PD Day Goalie skates were held in the afternoons at the Don Ross in the afternoons when the kids were out of school on planning days. Focus Goalie Development provided the coaches on these as they were already scheduled to be in town for the evening development sessions with the older goalies of the BMHA.

These PD Day Goalie skates were for U9 and U11 players that showed interest and wanted to try being a goaltender with specialized instruction at no extra cost to the players or families.

**Thank you to all the Coaches, Managers and Volunteers that made the 2024/2025 season such a success for all the players involved in the Battlefords Minor Hockey Programs.**

**Have a great summer and hope to see you all back next year!!**