

Ice Times

With the transition back to school, comes the transition back to ice. The club is hosting U19, U10, and U8 teams, along our Hometown and Learn to Skate. The U10s and U19s will start next Thursday, September 14, with everyone else starting the week after.

Sept 14 Start:

- 6:30-7:25: U10
- 7:25-8:20: U19

Sept 21 and beyond:

- 5:30-6:20: U8+Hometown/ Learn To Skate
- 6:20-7:20: U10
- 7:20-8:20: U19 (assuming there needs to be a flood for the 8:30 timeslot).

Coaches will be reaching out soon as well.

Registration Fees and Volunteer Bond Cheques

If you have not paid your [registration](#) in full, please do so ASAP. Your child will not be allowed on the ice if registration is not paid. If you have questions, need to make payment, need assistance, or set up a payment plan, please reach out to our Treasurer Michelle Maloney (maloneymichelle5@gmail.com). Please also be prepared to bring your bond cheque your first night on the ice. It is \$100 per player, dated March 31, 2024, made out to Exeter Seaforth Ringette Association. If you can't hand in a cheque, please reach out to Michelle Maloney for other options. If you are a Coach, Assistant Coach, Trainer, Team Manager, Parent Rep (new team volunteer position), or Board member, your volunteer bond requirement is waived.

Come Try Ringette

On Saturday September 16, the club is hosting a Come Try Ringette event. Kids are one-ice from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the Hensall Arena. For our younger registrants (U10 and below), you are welcome to join us on the 16th, but it is NOT mandatory. For our older players, we're still looking for a few more players to help volunteer on the ice (one to two more at this time, as I have two confirmed). Reach out to Angela at ESDRApresident@outlook.com if you think you daughter can volunteer. We will sign off on high school hours.

We will be promoting the event to schools next week along with other avenues of promotion. If you know anyone who might be interested in coming out, and learning more about the sport, please pass on the information on our [website](#). We also have a [Facebook event](#) you can share. FYI - We are looking to plan a spring event, with the hopes of hosting an event in both Seaforth and Hensall.

Learn to Skate

We would like to spread the word about our Learn To Skate program. Many families have appreciated that it is both local and affordable (\$200). If you know someone who may be interested, you can gather more information from Michele Hodgert (hodgerts@quadro.net).

Volunteer Opportunities and Requirements

Melissa Batten is leading our volunteer side of things this year. More details to come, however we are looking to sell Elmira Chicken and Little Caesars in 2023, and Metzgers early 2024. *Although not a fundraiser, we are also hoping to offer apparel options to purchase this fall - in time for Christmas).*

Volunteer Requirements are:

- Regular support to a team (Coach, Assistant Coach, Trainer, Manager, Parent Rep)
- Board Member
- 5 volunteer hours
- 20 units of sale (e.g., 10 pizza kits and 10 boxes of Elmira Chicken)

If none of the above apply, your \$100 cheque(s) will be cashed.

Bench Staff and On Ice Volunteer Requirements

We have posted Ringette Ontario's "[Team Staff Qualification Pathways](#)" on our club's website. This outlines the various training requirements. It also outlines the requirements if you are looking to be an ['on ice' volunteer](#). For those it is applicable to, all requirements must be completed no later than November 30, 2023.

Incorporation and By-laws

At the [September 7 Special Meeting](#), membership passed the following two motions by unanimous vote:

1. Ratification of ONCA Compliant Bylaws:
 - a. Approval of the following motion through special resolution, *"Be it resolved that the members approve the proposed ONCA compliant bylaws for Exeter Seaforth Ringette Association as presented on September 7, 2023."*
2. Audit Process
 - a. Approval of the following motion, *"Be it resolved that the members approve the minimum financial reporting requirements permitted in accordance with the Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act for the current fiscal year."*

This means our association has approved our new by-laws and ONCA's robust audit requirement has been waived and we will complete annual audits as per existing process. Thank you to those who came out! We will update our website in the near future with the finalized by-laws.