

Chilliwack Minor Hockey Association

Annual General Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2011

Attendance: See sign in sheet dated May 18, 2011. 45 members in attendance.

Minutes of meeting recorded by Tonya Waldock

➤ **Call to Order:** 7:11 pm
Introduction of executive. Regrets: Tracey O'Hara.

➤ **Presentations:**
None made.

➤ **Approvals:**
a. **2011 Agenda – May 18, 2011**

MOTION: The Agenda for the 2011 CMHA Annual General Meeting be approved.

Motioned by James Dick

2nd - Mel Voth

Motion passed unanimously.

b. **2010 Minutes – May 19, 2010**

Table approval of Minutes from 2009-2010 as they were not distributed to membership.

➤ **President's Report (David Soltys)**

MOTION: CMHA discontinue the operation of the concession at Twin Rinks.

Motioned by Heidi Tupper

2nd – Kari McCandless

Motion passed unanimously.

Report:

General thank you to volunteers and co-ordinators.

Highlights of past season: new jerseys and sponsorship drive.

Tournaments: Tournament co-ordinator for first time in years.

CMHA will continue to develop and improve tournaments.

Tournament review meeting near end of summer to standardize tournaments

Accomplishments: many team banners won

some individual accomplishments

Player and Coach Development Co-ordinator: replaces coach co-ordinator

Concession at Twin Rinks: despite paying no rent for past four years, the concession has operated at a deficit. It is not feasible for CMHA to continue operating the concession due to financial loss mostly due to labour costs.

Volunteer Committee: The primary focus was updating CMHA written resources such as co-ordinators' manual, directors' manual, policy manual

Creation of committees: as per CMHA constitution the President is creating:

Player and Coach Development Committee, Hockey

Operations Committee, Ice Co-ordinator Committee

The new CMHA board will meet in June to create mandates for committees.

Yellow Card Program: Alison Niezen, Managing Director for PCAHA, explained that this was voted for implementation in Fraser Valley East League. It is a tool for team officials to control spectators.

Spectator Policy: CMHA is working with city on spectator policy.

Prospera Centre: CMHA is meeting with the Chiefs Development Group to rent ice for 6 am practices.

Bruins: CMHA is finishing arrangements with the Bruins as they prepare to move.

New BCHL team: BCHL team has contacted CMHA. Interested in developing a good working relationship.

Greystone: CMHA is working with Greystone to ensure supplies for next year.

Thank you to James Dick for 12 years of volunteer work in CMHA.

Thank you to Janelle Rychtowski for time served on the CMHA board.

➤ **Treasurers Report (Janelle Rychtowski)**

Report: Financial Report from last year can be e-mailed if requested.

Refer to submitted financial summary.

Note date corrections:

Column titles should be 2010/2011, 2010/2011, 2011/2012

Increase in 2010/2011 revenue largely due to sponsorship drive and one-time government grant. Monies invested in first aid kits and new jerseys.

Increase in bank charges due to increase in credit card payments and purchase of more 50/50 tickets.

Net income of approximately \$25 000 which is close to the goal of 6% contingency fund.

➤ **Auditor Report (Langbroek, Lowuserse & Thiessen LLP)**

MOTION: Langbroek, Lowuserse & Thiessen LLP act as auditors for CMHA for the 2011/2012 season.

Motioned by Janelle Rychtowski

2nd - Tracey Robertson

Motion passed.

Discussion:

Auditors report is available by e-mail if requested.

Treasurer confirms that Atom Division subsidizes Midget Division. Higher costs of ice, referee fees and other expenditures for Midget would make paying actual cost prohibitive to families.

Unequal fee income per team pointed out (more players the more income). CMHA unable to look at individual team fee revenue at this time.

Suggestion that CMHA look at other income sources. CMHA is developing a Fundraising Committee for this purpose.

CMHA has been using reserve funding to stay out of debt for three or four years.

A decrease of fees and more equitable distribution of funds in future is possible if more fundraising done. The CMHA Board is unable to take this role on as already overloaded.

Suggestion that more practice time be given to younger players not older players who tend to have poorer attendance for practices. CMHA Board is focusing on providing more player development opportunities for younger players.

➤ **Executive / Director's Reports**

a. **1st Vice President – James Dick**

Thank you to all worked with for last 12 years. CMHA relies on volunteers. Encouraged people to volunteer. Role of Chair of Discipline Committee most time consuming job. Reminder to follow chain of command to lessen load on Board members. Many issues can resolve at a lower level of authority. Reminder of the 24 hour rule ie. wait 24 hours before bringing forward an issue or complaint. Thank you for support from directors.

b. **2nd Vice President – Tracy Robertson**

Refer to submitted report.

c. **Referee-in-Chief – Ron Brisson**

Refer to submitted report.

d. **Initiation Director – Fiona Janzen**

Refer to submitted report.

e. **Atom Director – Ross Olive**

Refer to submitted report.

f. **Pee Wee Director – Tracy Robertson (acting)**

Darcey Trottier will continue as co-ordinator.

David Soltys extends a thank you to Tracy for filling this role to finish the season.

g. **Bantam Director – Keith Bryce**

Refer to submitted report.

h. **Midget Director – Veronica MacIntosh**

Refer to submitted report.

i. **Director At Large (Female) – Kim Callaghan**

Refer to submitted report.

j. **Director At Large – Sean Wicker**

Refer to submitted report.

➤ **Old Business**

No old business.

➤ **New Business**

Cheryl Kingma brought forward the idea of making mouth guards mandatory. James Neizen, Risk Manager for PCAHA, reports that any association can make mouth guards mandatory. However, it is difficult to enforce in association without provincial or federal support. Ron Brisson reports it is hard for referees to enforce the use of mouthguards. Coaches can encourage the use of mouthguards. Paul Nichols reports that research has not proven that mouth guards help prevent concussions. Role of parents in providing correct fit of equipment and up to date equipment discussed. There is not an expiry date on helmets in Canada.

➤ **Election of Officers:**

All positions filled by acclamation leaving the 1st vice-president position vacant.

Mel Voth, volunteer with CMHA since 1995, has no kids playing in CMHA but appreciates the organization's contribution to the community. She pointed out that with about 850 players registered with CMHA, there are 1700 parents (approximate) available to step up to volunteer. Volunteering with CMHA is hard work but creates wonderful memories. She appealed to the membership to volunteer for CMHA.

David Soltys invited any members interested in serving as 1st vice-president to contact him.

- a. **President** – David Soltys, 2 year term. No objection.
 - b. **Vice President** – Vacant
 - c. **Vice President** – Tracey Robertson, 1 year left.
 - d. **Treasurer** – Brian Gourlie, 2 year term. No objection.
 - e. **Secretary** – Tracey O'Hara, 1 year left.
 - f. **Director 1** – Ross Olive, 1 year term. No objection.
 - g. **Director 2** – Fiona Janzen, 1 year term. No objection.
 - h. **Director 3** – Stacy Crowhurst, 2 year term. No objection.
 - i. **Director 4** – Jason Hay, 2 year term. No objection.
 - j. **Director 5** – Veronica MacIntosh, 1 year term. No objection.
 - k. **Director 6** – Keith Bryce, 1 year left.
 - l. **Director 7** – Trevor Henry, 2 year term. No objection.
- **Free Player Registration Draw:** Tonya Waldock
 - **Adjournment:** 8:22 pm
 - **Next AGM Meeting:** Wednesday, May 16, 2012

Approved September 19, 2011

Tonya Waldock, Secretary
, President

2010-2011 Presidents Report

Season Review

First I'd like to take the opportunity to thank all the parents, volunteers and players that contributed their efforts this last season. I'd especially like to highlight the work of the team officials. Nothing gets done without the work of the managers and coaches making things happen on a daily basis and your continued hard work is greatly appreciated. I'd also like to thank the executive board for the many hours of work they put in to make sure our association is creating a safe and fun hockey environment where all players have the opportunity to play at the most competitive level possible.

Coordinators also deserve special recognition for the work they do. Thank you Connie Bryce, Cindy Rhodes, Darcy Trotter, Christine Kirkpatrick, Trevor Henry and Bryan Davis. These people really made it happen for us this year and we all appreciate that immensely. Thank you.

The highlights of the year from my perspective were the completion of the jersey replacement and sponsorship drive. From the purchasing to the final touches on the sponsorship appreciation; this project required a huge effort from everyone in our association but I'd especially like to point out the efforts of Les Lindhout, Stacey Crowhurst, Lynda Wieking, Keith Bryce and the executive for making this happen and finally giving our association a unified look.

The tournaments went well for the most part and we will continue to work hard to improve the way we do tournaments so they are fun for everyone involved, profitable and easier on the volunteers that step forward to run them.

We had some excellent team accomplishments in 2010-2011. In the interest of time I won't go over them all now but they are listed in a story on the website and I will say that our association can compete with the other associations in PCAHA at all levels and our focus on Player and Coach Development Programs will continue to be the key factor that allows us to improve in that area.

Concession

The concession in Twin Rinks has continued to lose money for the last 4 seasons despite excellent management techniques used by Darlene Davy and her staff. Over those years we have not been required to pay rent for the space because the city was giving us some time to determine what a fair rent payment would be. Finally, the city was forced to state that this was the last year they could provide it to us rent free. Executive members met with the city and the concession management and it is our conclusion that CMHA should no longer operate the concession at Twin Rinks. We'd like to take this opportunity for someone to put forward a motion to that effect and pass an official resolution.

Volunteer Retention and Support

As many of you know, we've had a lot volunteer turnover at all levels of our association over the last few years. A volunteer retention committee was formed in an effort to figure out what could be done to minimize that turnover. The committee consists of Larry Ling, Tonya Waldock, Lisa Gustafson, Rudy Steensland, Cynthia Muir, Fiona Janzen, Glen Dickey and I. We met a few times over the year and asked ourselves what needs to be improved in our association to help retain and support volunteers. We came up with a good list of things that can be worked on over the next few years. The two most important factors we came up with were:

- 1) not enough written information is available to team officials and other members to allow them to understand what they have to do without constantly questioning others (this is especially true in the lower levels) and;
- 2) high burnout due to work overload by a few core people.

We decided to focus on the written materials first. We set a goal to update and improve the Team Manual, Coordinators Manual and Directors Manual. This also tied in well with updating that was already underway on the CMHA Policy Manual. Our goal is to have these four manuals updated by the start of next season. The task is about 75% complete and we're confident that the people on the new board, past board members and the volunteer committee will be able to complete them and have them ready by August.

The obvious answer to the issue of burnout was to involve more people in getting the work of making hockey happen. Our constitution clearly allows for the creation of committees for that reason. Over the years we had moved away from using committees but recent success in the last 2-3 years showed us that it was still a highly successful way of managing workload and moving our association forward. I'm pleased to say that there's been a very positive response to the request for committee members especially with the Player and Coach Development committee, which in most people's opinions is far and away the most important work we need to do as an association. The new executive board will meet in June and one of the priorities will be to focus on making the committees happen and making sure they have a clear and simple mandate to work on for next season. If you've already volunteered for a committee, thank you, if not I encourage you to read the story on the website and get involved.

Yellow Card Program

This is a very simple program created by associations in PCAHA to give team officials an easy way to defuse situations where spectators are getting out of hand or breaking the code of conduct. The four associations in Fraser Valley East voted to adopt this program for next season. The executive will be making the yellow cards available to team officials at the start of the season and providing guidelines for use. Signs explaining the use of the program will also be posted in the arenas. The cards state:

Your conduct is not acceptable in a minor hockey arena. Please consider the example you are setting for our children. Chilliwack Minor Hockey asks that you provide a better example for our children. If you are unable to curb your behaviour, then please leave the premises immediately. Any recurrence of your behaviour will result in a complaint to Chilliwack Minor Hockey Association's Discipline Committee.

We hope that it will not need to be used often but when necessary it provides an option for team officials to calm situations down before they escalate.

Other Business:

Presently I'm negotiating several things that impact minor hockey:

Working with the city on a re-evaluation of our spectator and usage agreement for the rinks

Working with the city and Chiefs Development Group on getting 6am practice times at Prospera again

Working with the former Bruins owners on how they can complete the transition out of Chilliwack

Working with the owners of the new BCHL team (announced today) on how the partnership will work between Minor and the team

Working with Pat Webber at Elite (formerly Greystone) on our sponsorship and supplier arrangement with them

In closing, I'd like to thank everyone for being here tonight and a big thank you to the people that are stepping forward to form the new board. I appreciate the opportunity to be of service to this great organization. I'll welcome any questions that people have for me at this time.

Best Regards

David Soltys

**CMHA Registration Fees
2011-2012 Season**

	Registration Fee	Rep Fees*	Addt Ice Fee*
Intro to Hockey (Hockey 1)	\$360		
Hockey 2	\$360		
Hockey 3	\$430		
Hockey 4	\$460		
Atom	\$545	\$315	
Atom Female	\$545		\$157.50
Peewee	\$600	\$315	
Peewee Female	\$600		\$157.50
Bantam	\$655	\$367.50	
Bantam Female	\$655		\$157.50
Midget	\$655	\$367.50	
Midget Female	\$655		\$157.50
Juvenile	\$655		
	655		
Rep Tryout Fees	\$100 if paid by July 31, 2010 \$125 if paid after July 31, 2010		
Late Registration Fee	\$50 for those registering after July 10, 2010		
Goalie Discount	\$200 off Registration (providing own equipmnt)		
3rd Child Discount	\$100 off 3rd child's registration		
Payment Plan Charge	\$30 fee		
NSF/Returned Cheque Fee	\$40 each instance		
Player Movement Fee	\$15		

*Rep fees and Additional Ice fees will be collected from the teams and paid to CMHA no later than December 1, 2011. Penalties are charged after that date.

Registration for returning players will be May 3 to 31, 2011
 Returning players should register during this time to guarantee a spot
 For new players, open registration will be held Saturday, June 26, 2010 from 9am to 12pm at Twin Rinks.
 For updated info, please see our website, www.cmha.goalline.ca

Registration Fees
Season 2011-2012

<u>Division</u>	<u># of Players</u>	<u>Reg. Fees</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Last Year Rate</u>	<u>Increase %</u>	<u>Players based on prev yr</u>	<u>Player Increase (Decrease)</u>
Hockey 1	30	360	10,800	350	2.9%	0	
Hockey 2	50	360	18,000	350	2.9%	36	38.9%
Hockey 3	70	430	30,100	420	2.4%	50	40.0%
Hockey 4	80	460	36,800	450	2.2%	66	21.2%
Atom	155	545	84,475	535	1.9%	150	3.3%
Peewee	155	600	93,000	590	1.7%	157	-1.3%
Bantam	135	655	88,425	645	1.6%	127	6.3%
Midget	185	655	121,175	645	1.6%	205	-9.8%
Juvenile	12	655	7,860	645	1.6%	63	-81.0%
# of Player:	872						

Total Gross Registration Fees:	490635
Less: Free Registrations	3000
Less: 3rd Child Discounts	1000
Less: Goalie Discounts	13000
Net: Registration Fees	473635

Budget**2011-2012 Season**

Budget to Interim at April 23, 2011

Revenues	2011/2012 Budget	2011/2012 Interim	2011/2012 Budget
Hockey Revenues			
Registration Fees	470,415	474,822	473,635
Rep Tryout Fees	25,500	26,500	26,500
Rep Team Fees	56,738	64,098	69,615
Female Ice Fees	6,128	1,733	1,800
Sponsorships	8,000	50,104	11,000
Tournaments - Sanctions	15,000	14,850	15,000
Tournaments - Revenues	10,000		10,000
Clinic Revenues	8,000	18,103	10,000
Grant Revenue		84,000	
	599,781	734,210	617,550
Other Revenues:			
Other	1,500	250	1,000
Commission Revenue		4,373	4,000
Travel Fund Revenue	500	2,107	500
Total Revenue:	601,781	740,940	623,050
Expenditures			
Direct Cost of Hockey			
Ice Rentals	375,000	350,990	375,000
Room rentals	275	1,319	1,000
Insurance, dues & fees	63,000	64,688	66,000
referee Fees	45,900	48,783	50,000
Damages & repairs	400	143	400
Trophies & Plaques	2,900	6,064	5,000
Jerseys, Pucks, supplies	8,000	66,791	22,000
Development Materials	250		250
Development	11,200	19,950	
Referee Clinics	1,200	988	1,200
Coach Clinics	5,000	10,566	12,000
Total Direct Hockey Costs	513,125	570,282	532,850
Office & Administrative Costs			
Advertising	1,000	1,180	2,000

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Advertising - Sponsorship Costs		7,662	
Amortization	2,500		2,500
CMHA Events		8,800	
BCAHA/PCAHA Convention	3,000	2,198	3,000
Website	750	1,068	1,000
Miscellaneous		2,260	
Insurance, dues & fees	2,400	2,204	2,400
Office/Bank Charges	12,500	16,893	17,000
Wages & Honorariums	40,000	39,229	44,000
Professional fees	11,500	10,893	11,500
Travel	1,000	1,073	1,000
Scholarships	1,500	1,500	1,500
Total Office & Admin Costs.	76,150	94,960	85,900

Total Expenditures	589,275	665,242	618,750
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Net Income (Loss)	12,506	75,698	4,300
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Hockey Fund

Hockey Fund Revenues	3,000	1,747	1,400
Hockey Fund Expenses	3,000	1,370	1,400
Net Hockey Fund	-	377	-

Gaming Fund

Bruin's Ticket Revenue	12,077
50/50 Monies	19,165
Total Gaming Revenues	31,242

Bruins Tickets	26,200
Bank Charges	157
Table Rental - Bruins Fund	3,600
Fundraiser to Teams	18,107
Total Gaming Expenditures	48,064

Gaming Net Income (Loss)	- 16,822
Concession Net Income (Loss)	- 10,376
CMHA Net Income (Loss)	38,501

1. Final Ice Bill for the year is still to come
2. Office charges are higher due to growing use of credit cards & printing of 50/50 tickets
3. Trophies and plaques is waiting for adjustment from Greystone for returned products & some merchandise for tournaments will be used for next year, this bal will be determined once rec'd credits
4. A number of tournaments still have outstanding cheques once cleared can calculate tournament revs.

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Jerseys, Pucks, supplies	TOTAL	20,000
Jersey's		
Atom Goalie Equipment		3,200
Pucks		
First Aid Kits		
Game Sheets/Stop Signs		
Rep Tryouts, Rep Coaches Binders		3,000
Coach Clinics	TOTAL	12,000
Kamloops Coaches Conference		1,250
Coaches Mentorship Program		7,500
Hybrid/Developmental/RIS/H CSP		9,000

**2010 / 2011 Chilliwack Minor Hockey Association
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-2nd Vice President & Risk Manager Report-**

As the 2010/11 season comes to an end I would like to thank you for the privilege of serving as the 2nd Vice President for my second year of our hockey association and involved with the executive for the past 8 years. I have always strived to maintain a Fun and Safe experience for my children as well as all the other children in this association. I enjoy the faces of every child from the Hockey 1 level that just can't wait to step out on the ice, up to the levels that are competitive and again just can't wait to step out on the ice. I continue to be amazed with the people that make up and volunteer in our association.

As 2nd Vice President I also maintained the role as Risk Manager, aided with the Web Site, and Head of the Appeals Committee.

2nd Vice President:

I attend monthly meetings with CMHA. Aided in open and returning player registration. Upon the beginning of Rep tryouts, I made myself available and aided in anyway that I could. In several situations I covered as temporary director for a division. Throughout the year I make myself available to all of the members of the Association.

Risk Manager:

In 2008 I became a Facilitator for BC Hockey of the Risk Management Clinic to better equip myself and CMHA Association. I arranged the Risk Manager Seminar. Through facilitating several clinics I have gained incredible knowledge through others and appreciate the experience of everyone who I meet across the Lower Mainland. As it is a requirement of PCAHA to have every team with a certified Risk Manager by December 1st, I was in contact with several teams to ensure they fulfilled this requirement.

Web Site:

Along side of Ava Heathcote, Office Manager, and Trevor Ewert, Volunteer, we input all the team information into the website and kept the web site up to date with Hockey camps and other information.

Appeals Committee (Discipline):

As 2nd Vice President one of the responsibilities is to Chair the Appeals Committee and meet with, review and issue results to CMHA members when appealing their Discipline that has been issued by CMHA.

In closing, I wish to thank all of the volunteers that spend countless hours with CMHA. I would like to thank all of the coaches who put their time and effort into helping all of the kids learn the game of hockey, to the Managers and Risk Managers that put in valuable amounts of time to help run the teams, as well to all the parents who step up and help out.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tracy Robertson

CHILLIWACK MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

REFEREE IN CHIEF

2010/2011 YEAR END REVIEW

Ron Brisson

This past year was a good year with respect to our on ice officials. We had numerous young officials develop very quickly into reliable and dedicated assets to our organization.

Jeannie Stephenson did an excellent job assigning the Bantam C and below divisions. I want to thank Jeannie for all her efforts these past two seasons.

We had 78 referees registered this year which included 12 first year referees. All first year referees were required to attend a carding clinic and 3 'on-ice referee sessions'. They also received on-ice shadowing all received evaluations during the year. These first year referees demonstrated a high level of ability and those officials who advanced at a faster pace were promoted quicker.

For the 2011/2012 season, the BCAHA is proposing a shortened 4 hour carding clinic with an online prerequisite. We will know more in the coming months.

There were six tournaments for a total of 900 man games refereed during the year. These tournaments provided a lot of experience for the referees and continue to be a valuable developmental tool for our association.

Ron Brisson

CMHA RIC

Initiation Hockey 2010 – 2011

This year our Initiation Hockey (Hockey 1, 2, 3 and 4) consisted of 16 teams: 2 Hockey 1 teams, 4 Hockey 2 teams, 4 Hockey 3 teams and 6 Hockey 4 teams. I came into this position approximately October 28, 2010 and missed the months prior to that time which would have, I'm sure, assisted in my ability/knowledge as a Director.

I had two coordinators working with me, Trevor Henry (Hockey 1-2) and Bryan Davis (Hockey 3-4), both of which coached their own Hockey 2 and Hockey 4 teams respectively. Once I realized what their role was as coordinators and how they would assist me, I soon realized (but perhaps not soon enough) that I could rely on these two individuals, without fail. Their love for the game, knowledge of the game, passion to coach our young upcoming players and their great organizational abilities were a true asset to this division and myself as a new Director. Thank you.

The Hockey 3-4 tournament was yet another successful tournament. From what I have been told, it is one of the best run tournaments in the Lower Mainland. There were a total of 30 teams participating with still a lot of teams on the waiting list. Thank you to Mark Luknowsky for stepping up at the first meeting, assuming the role as the Tournament Chairperson and doing an exceptional job. Thank you to all other committee members who also stepped up to help this year. There was an overwhelming amount of donations and a great raffle table. The tournament this year brought in an approximate \$4,000 profit for the Association.

A special thank you to Tim Horton's for another year of great organized Timbits Jamboree. Tim Horton's were also amazing in providing each player with a Sidney Crosby mini stick/ball and year end medals – all of which the players LOVED – I don't think there was one player who went without. In addition, coaches were also provided with insulated mugs, whistles, lanyards, pucks and white boards. It is always appreciated and nice to receive.

We also saw our local Chevrolet dealership assist with the Chevrolet Safe & Fun Hockey Day which was held in January 2011. As this was my first year as Director, I soon found out my obligation was to organize this event. I appreciated the assistance of Tracey Robertson in providing me with guidance as to how this particular day would work. Once I had the idea in hand and contacted our local Chilliwack Chevrolet representative, I was amazed at the great response they provided to me and their assistance, both financially and in organizing jerseys/give-aways and donuts and coffee for the player and parents that day. It was great to see how just one local business can take part in such a memorable event for our young players, a memory I trust and hope, that will go with the players many years.

Finally, I would like to say thank you to the Executive this past season, especially those that have been "around" for a while. Not one question, concern or comment went unanswered or unnoticed. I have truly learned that if you don't ask, you won't know – so just ask – nicely! I never realized how much there is involved with running an organization this size. There are Policy Manuals to follow/update, Constitution to worry about, PCAHA Rules, BC Hockey Rules, etc. Without the opportunity to step in to the role as Hockey 1-4 Director, I don't think I would have the understanding I now have for our own Association, the countless hours each and every Executive member puts in and all the volunteers in our membership that help out with coaching, managing, running tournaments and much, much more. Thank you.

Fiona Janzen

Hockey 1-4 Director

Atom Division 2010/2011 Report

The Atom division had a great start to the season. The evaluations process was much more organized this year being my second season brought a more stream lined process with it. The draft went very smoothly and we had six teams set for the year.

This year we had a lot of great player development from first watching many of the teams and player skate and play to seeing the year end results was quite impressive. I would like to pass on my congratulations to all the coaching staff for the teams. We had one team win regular season banner another win play off banner and third team win the Chilliwack tournament C level division.

This year also saw the formation of a A3 rep team for atom the first in some time. This brought an opportunity for many young players to be exposed to the rep process who would not have had the chance otherwise. I believe this program will develop more every year and we will see the end result as the player then go thru the system and have more experience as they play in higher levels of hockey.

During the year the association took on the huge task of a jersey drive to ensure a C level player and girl's teams had new jerseys. Thru the great support of many local businesses the large feat was able to be performed. I would like to personally thank the tireless work of Les Lindhout and Stacey Crowhurst in securing sponsors for the jersey drive .

I would like to thank all my fellow committee members for their devotion to the association, without their ongoing efforts to mentor and develop hockey we would not have the great hockey program that we do. I would also like to recognize the great support of my coordinator Christine Kirkpatrick. I hope next year is another great and exciting year for the association.

Sincerely Ross Olive CMHA atom director

Bantam Hockey 2010/2011

In the Bantam Division this year we had 6 house teams and 3 rep teams. Once again we had a great volunteer base with some wonderful parents coming forward to help out in all areas of the Division. We had another great season in Bantam with our house teams working hard to bring back accomplishments such as a 1st place win in the Aldergrove Tournament as well as a runner up in the Enderby Tournament, they were part of numerous tournaments throughout BC and made us all proud. We saw 1st place banners during PCAHA league play in two out of three tiers as well as two out of four tiers in the PCAHA playoffs. The managing and officiating personnel of each team was exemplary.

The Bantam Draft was a good example of teamwork and fairness. There were no exceptions allowed resulting in fairly even teams and this was evident in their placings and game play throughout the season.

A big thank you to all of the volunteers who made this season what it was. The Paul Brenner Memorial Tournament was once again a success thanks to the dedication and support of all the teams, parents and volunteers who were involved.

Once again this year, constant communication as well as ever being present at the rink kept any issues from becoming out of hand or any concerns from going unanswered.

The Bantam Division is an important of Chilliwack Minor Hockey, it is the division where our hard work, mentoring, coaching, development and passion really grows in each player and I have been honored to be a part of that this year and watch those 2nd year players prepare for their move up to the Midget Division, while the 1st year players grow as they prepare to be the seniors for the 2011/2012 season.

CMHA Midget Report

I stepped into this role as Midget director later in the season and with much to learn. At first it was all so intimidating, however; I learned quickly and absorbed everything possible. My experience as part of the executive has been interesting and in some ways humbling. I have very much enjoyed being a part of this executive. We have a group of great people who are willing to sacrifice some of their time for the benefit of our children and I think that is great. I want to be a part of that!

This year has been a great year for Midget "C". There has been many success with very little issues. Our coaches did a great job this year! They showed dedication, sportsmanship and enthusiasm for the sport. I would like to thank Jeanne Preto for all her hard work coordinating ice times. She was so very accommodating throughout the year and tried her best to make it all work for everyone. We couldn't have had the successes we did this year without her.

This year is James Dick's last year with Chilliwack Minor Hockey. I would like to thank him for all his hard work over the years; he has not only been an excellent coach for the kids, but a great role model for many us.

Female Division – Year End Report:

Atom:

This season started with a few simple goals in mind: develop the skills of each player, have fun and perhaps have some team success. Our expectations were guarded considering we had just finished a season with no wins.

With a number of new players, we were hoping to experience victory at least once during the season. To our surprise we won the first game of the season. For our second year players, it was a satisfying moment. Our expectations quickly changed as we won 3 of the first 4 games played and were tiered in a very competitive group.

Our first trip playing all the teams left us with a modest record of 1 win, 1 tie and 3 losses. Then came the Christmas Angels on Ice Tournament. Our character and our leadership on the team were starting to emerge! In hotly contested must win quarter and semi final games, our team battled and persevered. We were in the finals and had to play a third game in one day! It was an exciting final with packed stands and incredible atmosphere. In the end we came up one goal short against Surrey, but the memories of the effort put out by the girls and our sense of team camaraderie made us champions.

Our next go-round through league play we went undefeated: 4 wins and a tie. Clearly our players were developing skills rapidly and we were separating ourselves from other teams. Our playoffs placed us in the top 3 of the league, and if not for a flu bug at the most inopportune time, we would likely have played in the championship game. However, our last hockey memory was defeating our rivals Surrey in the final game of the year, erasing a 3-0 deficit with 5 third period goals. A great season, full of many memories and friendships made with the nicest group of girls ever! Coach: Steve Klassen

Peewee C2:

We had a fantastic season, finishing 3rd during league play and 2nd in the playoffs with a 5-1-1 record, despite only having 10 skaters. We played in the championship game in our division at the Richmond Ice Classic tournament- finishing the round robin play at 3 wins and 0 losses, ultimately finishing second after losing to Surrey in the final - who were undefeated all year! The girls outworked every team, in every game, making for an exciting season. Coach: Kevin Dobb

Peewee A:

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This year's big story in the female ranks was the peewee team, and their move from house to rep.

"This is the first year one of our female teams has made that jump," said peewee coach Brad Read. "We did that with four players who are still atom age, four first-year and five second-year peewees. Most of the teams that the girls played are all, for the most part, second year peewees." The girls trounced the competition at the tier-one atom level last year, winning the Pacific Coast Hockey Association league championship. Roughly half the team did some form of elite training over the summer, and the girls came into fall training camp ready to roll. Coming into the 2010-11 season, CMHA had enough girls to form two peewee teams; peewee 2 and peewee A. "The peewee A team started in a tier two division and won every game by a lot," Read said. "The league came out to four of the games and recommended we move to rep." The suggestion was offered to the girls, who discussed the pros and cons behind closed doors for an hour. Read warned them the move to rep would result in a lot more losses. Their opponents would be bigger, stronger and more aggressive. "In the end they decided they wanted to make the move, even if it meant losing every game," Read said. "From the start they haven't been intimidated at all. They've proven their ability to handle everything that's been thrown at them and the evolution has been impressive." At the lower level, the girls were able to get by with more individualistic play,

with skaters dangling through the opposition single-handedly. The first lesson they learned at the rep level was that team play was paramount. "Against weaker teams they knew they could carry the puck longer, make some moves and maybe not work as hard," Read offered. "At the rep level, they've had to learn to play within the team system — passing, thinking and reacting quickly and really working hard. They're known throughout the rep division as the hardest working team."

Results wise, Chilliwack ended up as a middle-of-the-pack team. Fears of losing every game proved unfounded. The girls were the first team to tie the league's top team, the North Shore Avalanche, a squad who'd beaten everyone before running into Chilliwack, and with team success has come individual notice. Even at the youngest levels of rep hockey, the eyes of scouts are watching.

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In the four years Read has worked with this group (since 2006-07), he has seen remarkable improvement. Many of these girls couldn't even skate when they first signed up. "Two of those girls are from that original team and neither of them could stand up on their skates," he noted. "To see them now playing at AAA level with an elite team is fantastic. And there's only one player from that original group that isn't still playing. It's pretty unreal to see them getting from there to here." Now, it seems the Warriors are here to stay. "As far as being locked into rep, we'll go year by year based on whether we have the numbers and the PCHA thinks we can compete," Read said. "It's our goal to have a rep team year after year, and we hope we get the commitment from the parents and players to make that happen."

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Midget:

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