

2026 Annual General Meeting
Cranbrook Minor Hockey Association
Wednesday May 13th, 2026
Prestige Rocky Mountain Resort, Cranbrook BC

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER and WELCOME
2. President's Message
3. Awards for Officials
4. Review and Adopt Minutes from 2025 AGM
5. Financial Statement and Treasurer's Report
6. Review and Adopt Financial Report from 2025/2026
7. Year End Reports (attached)
8. Elections of Executive Officers
9. Elections of Directors
10. New Business & Open Discussion
11. Next CMHA Executive Meeting to be scheduled for _____.
12. Next CMHA Board Meeting to be scheduled for _____.
13. Adjournment





Presidents Message:

CMHA Membership,

Welcome to the 2026 Annual General Meeting and thank you for taking the time to be here. Your support and feedback remain critical as we strive to improve hockey in Cranbrook and the East Kootenays.

The 2025–2026 season was a positive one overall. Ice allocation remains a challenge, but our Ice Coordinator (Bobby-Jo Hekob) and Registrar (Carly Marsh) did an excellent job supporting our teams, coaches, and families throughout the year.

Season Highlights:

1. The first year of U9 tiering, supporting balanced competition and player development. We have strong takeaways moving forward and have received positive feedback across the East Kootenay, with other associations showing interest in adopting a similar approach.
2. The U11 A Bucks finding strong success again in the West Kootenay League, capturing a Banner Championship.
3. Strong competition and a very successful year at the elite level with our U13 AA (AEHL) team.
4. Our U13 Female team capturing a Banner Championship.
5. Our U15 Team Mason capturing a Banner Championship.
6. Icing a Tier 4 U18 team, ensuring opportunities for players at all levels.
7. Several Cranbrook teams achieving success in tournament play and league standings from U9–U18 across various leagues, including the East Kootenay and West Kootenay.

While we did not have the numbers to support a U18 Female team this season, our focus moving forward on hosting U13 and U15 regional AVS programming gives us confidence in strengthening player development. We are hopeful this will help grow female hockey participation in Cranbrook in the coming years.

Looking ahead, the East Kootenay is planning to ice a U16 AA team. Cranbrook Minor Hockey is committed to supporting this initiative while also ensuring we continue to provide a strong and competitive experience for our U18 T3 Bucks.

We remain committed to player development at all levels and to strengthening hockey across our region through collaboration and opportunity. As the largest association in the East Kootenay, we recognize the impact our decisions have across the region. I am confident that through strong relationships with the EK Board and surrounding association Presidents, we can continue working together to provide the highest level of competitive hockey across all divisions.

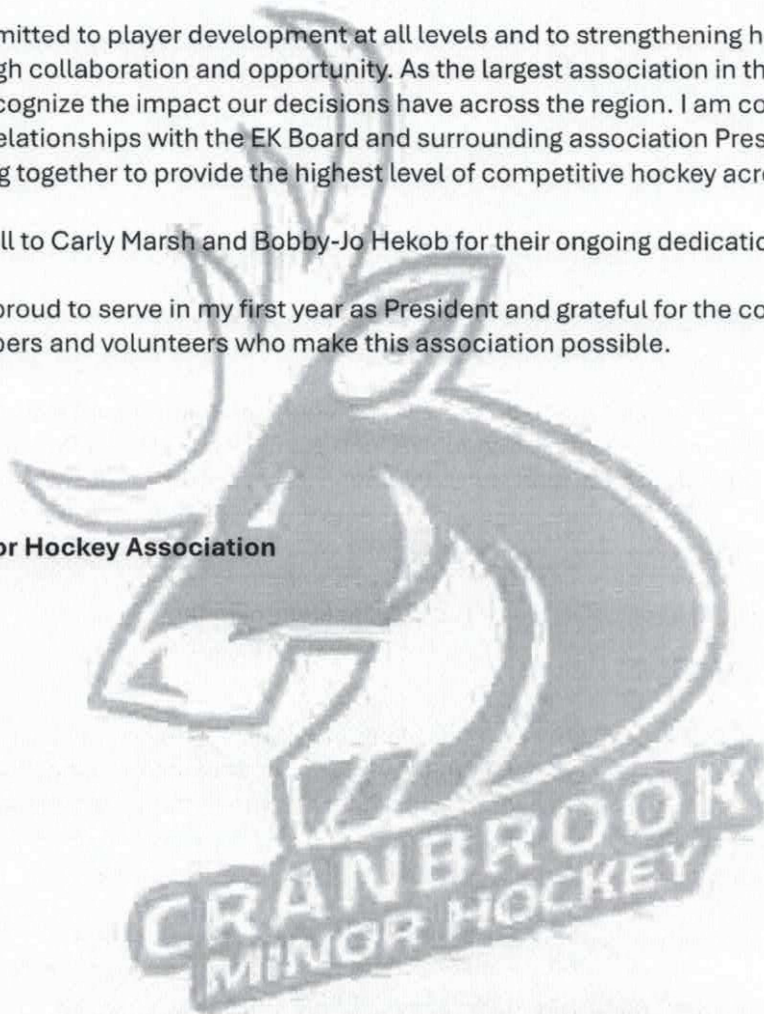
Thank you as well to Carly Marsh and Bobby-Jo Hekob for their ongoing dedication behind the scenes.

In closing, I am proud to serve in my first year as President and grateful for the commitment of our Board members and volunteers who make this association possible.

Mike Harris

President,

Cranbrook Minor Hockey Association





2025/2026 Treasurer's Report

The association experienced a deficit during the 2025/2026 season primarily due to two significant factors:

- A substantial increase in ice rental costs, which rose approximately 20% over previous seasons.
- The association budgeted to receive the full Community Gaming Grant amount of \$60,000; however, only \$22,500 was awarded due to excess funds carried over from previous years.

These two items had a major impact on the association's overall financial position for the season.

For the 2026/2027 season, registration fees have been adjusted to account for another increase in ice rental costs. The association is also hopeful that the full Community Gaming Grant amount will be restored for the upcoming season, which will help stabilize the association's financial position moving forward.

Thank You

Desiree Roberts
CMHA Treasurer



Cranbrook Minor Hockey Association

	Program Actuals for 2025 2026 Until April 30 2026	Program Budget for 2026 2027
Revenues		
Community Gaming Grant	22,500.00	60,000.00
Registration Fees	303,849.54	360,000.00
Sponsorship	13,821.05	25,000.00
Raffle Income	14,625.83	14,500.00
Revenue from Team Accounts	7,499.54	0.00
Ice Bills	101,821.29	125,000.00
Team Equipment Repayments	12,337.92	15,000.00
Interest Revenue	2,310.41	1,000.00
Clinic Revenue	630.00	750.00
Gear Swap Income	2,587.00	2,500.00
	<u>481,982.58</u>	<u>603,750.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>481,982.58</u>	<u>603,750.00</u>
Expenses		
Ice Rental	348,521.18	415,000.00
Contract Services	53,482.45	53,350.00
Raffle Expense	9,891.74	10,000.00
Advertising	0.00	0.00
BCAHA - Registration HC Insurance	43,116.17	43,500.00
League Dues ***	7,375.00	6,500.00
Meeting Expences	846.22	750.00
Concussion Testing	7,213.50	7,213.50
Referee Fees	32,638.69	20,000.00
Coach/Ref Reimbursements	1,827.00	2,500.00
Goalie Clinics	6,250.00	6,250.00
Office Supplies	1,744.59	1,500.00
Gear Swap Expences	2,344.57	2,200.00
Website & App Expenses	5,998.30	2,750.00
Equipment & Jersey Purchases	54,180.34	20,000.00
Insurance	3,821.00	4,000.00
Business Fees and License	25.00	25.00
Tryouts	3,984.43	4,000.00
Tournament Fees & Sanctions	-8.75	0.00
Travel Fees	1,541.17	2,000.00
Accounting Fees	1,365.00	1,500.00
Bank Fees	799.54	800.00
	<u>586,957.14</u>	<u>603,838.50</u>
TOTAL	<u>586,957.14</u>	<u>603,838.50</u>
Surplus/Deficit	-104,974.56	-88.50

***Please note that the League Dues were not invoiced until May and do not reflect on the Profit and Loss through April 2026

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Accrual Basis

Cranbrook Minor Hockey

Profit & Loss

June 2025 through April 2026

	<u>Jun '25 - Apr 26</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4100 · Registration	303,849.54
4105 · Equipment Team Repayment	12,337.92
4110 · Sponsorships	13,821.05
4120 · Donations	0.00
4130 · Revenue from Team Accounts	7,499.54
4135 · BC Gaming Grant	22,500.00
4140 · Raffle Income	14,625.83
4150 · BC Hockey Grant	0.00
4200 · Ice Bills	101,821.29
4210 · Interest Income	2,310.41
4216 · Team Equipment Deposit	3,100.00
4225 · Gear Swap Income	2,587.00
4230 · Clinic Revenue	630.00
Total Income	<u>485,082.58</u>
Gross Profit	485,082.58
Expense	
5550 · Contract Services	53,482.45
5605 · Raffle Expenses	9,891.74
5610 · Ice Rental	348,521.18
5620 · BCAHA Registration HC Insurance	43,116.17
5625 · Business Fees & Licenses	25.00
5640 · League Dues	0.00
5645 · Meeting Expenses	846.22
5650 · Concussion Testing	7,213.50
5660 · Referee Fees	32,638.69
5680 · Coach/Ref Clinic Reimbursement	1,827.00
5685 · Goalie Clinics	6,250.00
5690 · Gear Swap Expense	2,344.57
5695 · Website & App	5,998.30
5700 · Office Supplies	1,744.59
5740 · Equipment Purchases	54,180.34
5765 · Insurance	3,821.00
5770 · Tryouts	3,984.43
5790 · Bank Service Charges	799.54
5810 · Tournament Fees & Sanctions	-8.75
5850 · Team Tournament Loan	0.00
5860 · Travel	1,541.17
5890 · Accounting & Legal	1,365.00
Total Expense	<u>579,582.14</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-94,499.56</u>
Net Income	<u><u>-94,499.56</u></u>



2025/2026 U7 Cranbrook Minor Hockey Division Report

Overall, it was a solid year for our U7 Minor and Major groups. We had great numbers across both Minor (42 Kids) and Major (27 Kids), and a lot of positive feedback from coaches about development, fun, and team atmosphere.

U7 Minor

We had 42 kids in the Minor group this season, coached by Dustin Gotaas and Chris Kostiuk. The biggest challenge here was the size of the group—42 kids is a lot at this age—but having a strong group of helpers made a big difference and helped things run smoothly.

There was a couple minor communication hiccups between scheduling and team management, but nothing that caused major issues overall. On the ice, things went well—no real concerns with parents or players, and no one officially left the team. Attendance was generally good, with just one player not making it out as consistently as hoped.

All in all, a positive season for U7 Minor, especially considering the large group. Should look at being prepared to have 3-4 teams in U7 Minor for the upcoming season so when Jerseys are ordered, order up 4 sets.

U7 Major

The U7 Major group had 27 kids this year, led by Jenn MacDonald and Mike Eadie. The setup included one shared ice session per week at Memorial and one individual team practice at Kinsmen.

The shared ice time had its pros and cons. On the positive side, it was great for game-style situations, and the kids really enjoyed the scrimmages. It also gave coaches a chance to see players make real hockey plays in a more dynamic setting. That said, the larger group sometimes made it harder to keep things organized—lots of noise, a bit of goofing around, and not always the easiest environment for teaching.

The individual practices were a big hit with both coaches and parents. With smaller groups, there was a better coach-to-player ratio, more focus, and more quality teaching time. That balance of one shared and one individual practice worked okay overall, but it's something that could be adjusted depending on numbers and staffing in future years.

From a development standpoint, the program really hit the mark. Cross-ice games, small-area drills, and things like battle drills, power skating fundamentals, and relay-style activities kept things fun while building skills. The two local tournaments also went well.

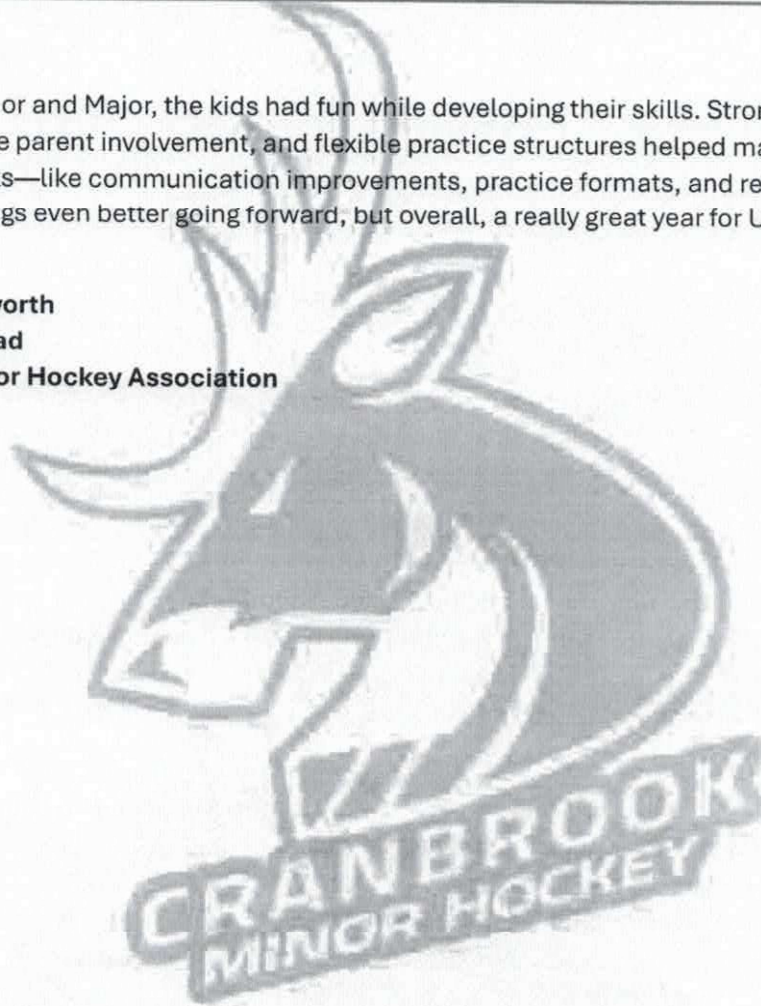
One area noted for improvement was referee development. The young refs did their best, but there's room for better training and mentorship to help them feel more confident and understand expectations during games.

Overall, it was a fantastic year for U7 Major. The kids had a ton of fun, showed great development, and the parents and volunteers were awesome to work with. It stood out as one of the most enjoyable seasons for the coaching group. Looking forward to next year we should be prepared to have 4 Teams, if this can happen it's a good opportunity for games to be played locally.

Final Thoughts

Across both Minor and Major, the kids had fun while developing their skills. Strong volunteer support, positive parent involvement, and flexible practice structures helped make it a success. A few small tweaks—like communication improvements, practice formats, and referee support—could make things even better going forward, but overall, a really great year for U7 hockey.

Aaron Shuttleworth
U7 Division Head
Cranbrook Minor Hockey Association





2025/2026 U9 Cranbrook Minor Hockey Division Report

This season saw 69 players registered across 6 teams, including four tier 4 teams and two tier 2 teams. The head coaches consisted of Brent Hall, Sam Nicoll, Kjol Bjordal, Mike Nelson, Chris Kostiuik and Dan Ortynski, all of whom contributed to a successful season. Teams shared weekday ice times, with individual team practices taking place on weekends. Full ice games were introduced starting January 15th at Kinsmen Arena.

In terms of competition, the second year (2017's) U9 players had the opportunity to compete in a full-ice tournament hosted in Invermere, where both Cranbrook U9 teams reached the finals. Meanwhile, the first-year (2018's) U9s participated in a 3-game jamboree in Cranbrook, which provided them with more time and space on the ice. Throughout the season, the U9 teams also attended three away tournaments each, in various locations such as High River, Crowsnest Pass, Whitefish, Sparwood, Coaldale, Taber, Lethbridge, Kimberley, Trail, Nelson, Salmon Arm and Invermere, gaining valuable experience.

One of the key highlights of the season was the U9 March Meltdown, which hosted 21 teams, with 6 from Cranbrook and 15 from other associations. Games were held at Memorial Arena (half ice) and Kinsmen Arena (full ice), and the tournament was considered a major success. This achievement was made possible by the contributions of managers, parent volunteers, referees, and arena staff. This year's version of the tournament consisted of a Tier 2 division and a Tier 4 division.

Feedback from coaches and parents pointed to some positive and negative feedback from the tiering structure that took place in U9 this season. This feedback is something CMHA and U9 will use to continue to grow and make it better for everyone.

Looking forward to and already preparing for the 2026/2027 season. The goal is to learn from last season's mistakes and build on the successes, aiming for an even better experience for both players and coaches.

Regards,
Dan Ortynski
CMHA U9 Division Head
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2025/2026 U11 Cranbrook Minor Hockey Division Report

Teams

We started the year off with a total of 86 kids registered for U11. We were able to roster 3 house teams (54 kids) this year along with an A team and B development team this year (34 kids total).

The U11 House Division

This year we had a total of 54 kids split amongst 3 teams. I am hopeful we will continue to see our association numbers grow and maybe see 4 house teams for next season.

Our 3 house teams were coached by Shaun Fox, Brock Mulvihill and Aaron Shuttleworth. Teams played in the EK league where we had the pleasure of regularly competing against Creston, Fernie, Invermere and Elk Valley. The teams also attended various tournaments this year including Kimberley, Castlegar, Fernie and Sparwood. All teams battled hard all season and enjoyed various levels of success.

This year our EK league banner tournaments were separated into two pools in the rec division. The banners were hosted in Kimberle. From what I hear all of our teams left it all out on the ice and made for some very exciting hockey to play and also to watch! All of our teams should be very proud of this season and what they have accomplished.

U11 A&B Bucks

The U11 A Bucks (coached by Corey Kanzig) competed in the West Kootenay League. They attended various tournaments throughout the season and were successful in bringing home gold in 1 of those tournaments. Additionally, the Bucks won their league banner tournament in Midway BC in March and brought home another banner to hang in the arena rafters. Overall, the year was a resounding success for the A Bucks and the players got to compete at the highest level for this division in the province. Congrats Bucks on a wonderful year!

The U11 B Bucks (Coached by Bob Botterill) competed in the East Kootenay League. They also attended various tournaments throughout the season. The players competed hard throughout the year learning valuable on and off ice lessons and developing as players and people. A big thank you to all of our coaches, managers, referees and volunteers. Your time and efforts do not go unnoticed and can not thank everyone enough for making our kids season a success!

Thank You
Corey Kanzig
CMHA U11 Division Head



2025/2026 U13 Cranbrook Minor Hockey Division Report

Teams

We had 48 Kids registered in our rec division allowing us to make three teams with two goalies per team.

Rec Division

This year the kids were split as even as possible all while accommodating almost all of the parent requests for the kids involved.

Our rec teams were coached by Evan Thompson, Ray Usher and Jason Richardson. They competed in the EK league competing all over and against each other. Teams also travelled to various tournaments and found success; team Thompson won the pincher creek tournament.

Cranbrook was able to host banner for this group and battled hard leaving it all out on the ice in each game.

A big thank you to all our coaches, managers referees and volunteers. Your time and efforts do not go unnoticed, and I cannot thank everyone enough for making our kids season a success.

Thank you
Brad Herman
CMHA U13 Division Head





2025/2026 U15/U18 Cranbrook Minor Hockey Division Report

U15 Rec

Team Mason: The head coach and team manager feel like there was a lack of communication within the association about dual rostered players vs Aps, suspensions, and scheduling. They feel that due to this they were targeted and punished. The team won the EK U15B banner.

Team Moulton: The team attended tournaments in Trail, Grand Forks, and hosted a home tournament. It was identified early on that nearly all players were lacking understanding of a lot of team concepts of the game, basic offensive and defensive systems and situational objectives among other numerous individual skills. The team made significant strides over the course of the year learning offensive, defensive and neutral zone systems. Gaining confidence as individuals, learning how to properly operate as a team. That allowed them to finish the year in an exciting fashion at the banner tournament where every game was a one goal game. We were the only U15 team to play the U18 rec team and I would consider that a huge success. We each kept our teams as there wasn't really a need to split them as the games we played were all competitive, both teams splitting wins and losses. It was very enjoyable for the players.

In summary, the season was a huge success in what the players learned and how they were able to absorb the information being taught and apply it both individually and as a team. (Tyrell had some very good suggestions along with his season summary that I will send along in a separate email).

U15 Tier 4

Overall, this team had a successful season. Prior to tryouts, the plan was for this team to be Tier 3 in the WK League but after, we felt we were more appropriate as Tier 4 in EK League and were granted permission to play there. This proved to be the right choice and we found ourselves about average for the season, usually sitting 3rd or 4th out of the 6 teams.

The season started off a bit confusing as the tryout process was not as most of us expected. We were told the tryouts were to ice both the tier 2 team and this team but after the final skate on Sunday, just the Tier 2 team was selected. CMHA had to ask back all the CMHA/KMHA first round cuts as well as two players from house for consideration for our team to attend a few more skates the following week. We released only one player, a skater from KMHA, and ended up with 2 goalies and 14 skaters (all CMHA). As 12 of our 14 skaters were first years, most of the team was new to contact hockey. We battled through several injuries throughout the season which often resulted in a short bench, but the boys battled through and found some success. We attended 5 away tournaments bringing home 3 bronze medals and 1 silver. We

hosted a home tournament in early December and earned silver medals.

U15 Bucks

The U15 Tier 2 Bucks had 40 games total. They didn't fair great in their 12 league games, ended last. Tournaments were more successful; West Kelowna 3rd; home tournament 2nd; Warriors in the Flats 3rd. Kelowna tournament and KIBHIT were more difficult and they didn't medal. The team fought through a lot of player injuries and sickness which impacted their success rate. Overall, it was a great season with a great group of boys and the team dynamic was amazing.

U18 Rec

This past season our U18 group was stretched very thin. With limited number of players, we could not run effective practices. This impacted both competitiveness and overall player experience. There were several scheduling elements that worked very well. Later practice times, weekday practice slots, same day weekly practices. The team was only able to get into the Grand Forks tournament and lost each game by a significant number of goals. Although the team showed great sportsmanship it was very disheartening to watch.

Suggestions for next season were provided to the board in February on ways that U18 could be improved upon for next season.

U18 Tier 4

U18 Tier 4 Bucks- The inaugural season of the U18 T4 team saw most of its success in the development of a young team comprised of a mix of those who had played competitive/hitting and those who had not. The work ethic of our team, mentorship from our older and more experienced players, along with the great coaching staff led to some thrilling wins.

We look forward to seeing the 2010s take on those mentorship roles in the upcoming season.

U18 Bucks

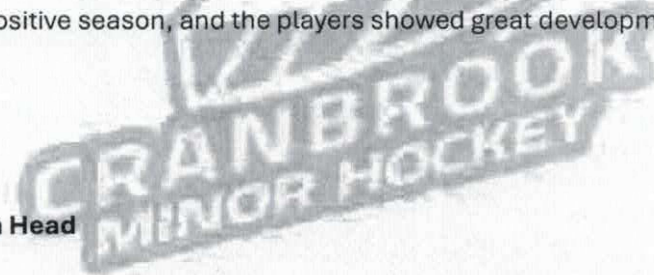
The team had a fantastic season overall with a 20-21-1 record. We played in 5 Tier 2 tournaments, earning silver in 2 of them. The team finished 2nd in their league, only 1 point behind the 1st place team. We also earned the Fair Play Award at the Tier 2 provincials in Kelowna.

Overall, this was a very positive season, and the players showed great development throughout the year.

Thank You

Marie Biggy

CMHA U15/U18 Division Head





2025/2026 Female Cranbrook Minor Hockey Division Report

This season saw just over 100 females registered in CMHA.

-There were development/skills for U7(13) and U9(17) one day per week and a U11, U13 and U15 Female team. Many of the development girls also played on a mixed team and were able to attend a tournament with other girls in EK in hopes they sign up for the fall.

-U13 had 4 Invermere girls, 2 Kimberley and 9 Cranbrook with 1 underage goalie. They played in the first U13 Female East Kootenay League and attended various tournaments.

-U15 had 9 Cranbrook girls and 2 Kimberley with one overage goalie. They played in the RMFHL and faced many challenging weekends with their short bench.

-Jamboree was a success with 90 girls- I only ran U7-U13 this year.

-Projecting a team in category for all ages next season, potentially 2 in U11 and U13.

GOALTENDING

Lauren Jensen helped a bit with goaltender skills in lower ages when she could. A few potential goalies identified in U9/U11 to move up to U11 and U13, but still no U15. I am working with BC Hockey to organize a Female goalie Camp this Summer with PWHL Kendra Woodland.

CHANGES

Planning to try to brand U13/U15 female as "regional" in hopes to ice full and competitive teams to better compete at Championships along the same lines as West Kootenay Wildcats. In speaking to BC Hockey, Tiering at Female Championships is 5 years out. There are some potential issues including other associations losing players when they have just enough for a team.

Thank You

Bobby Jo Hekob

CMHA Female Division Head

