Leduc Ringette Association  
  
September 25, 2019 @ 7:00PM

Oil Kings Room, LRC

Regrets: Shawna Paul

In Attendance: **Chelsea Cameron, Kari Baker, Kristine Gullickson, Natasha Hancharuk, Jackie Jones, Kerri Mckinnon, Pam Horn, Crystal Kardelis, Derrik Howard, Dean Charpentier, Erin Black, Amy Lackie, Brenda Goddu**

1. Call to Order **7:05pm**
2. Additions to Agenda
3. Approval August Minutes **Crystal motions, Pam seconds, All in favor**
4. Reports/Updates – Read prior to meeting:
5. President's Report – Chelsea Cameron
6. Vice President – Kari Baker

* Photos – October 4th. Need an ‘FYI’ sent out. Schedule to follow.
* Record checks need to be completed. All forms have been filled out and signed for coaching staff, will be handed out Thursday at Coach/Manager meeting.
* **Have all teams wear black bottoms (no ripped jeans) and must be wearing socks. Bring sticks and gloves.**
* **Will send an email to see if it’s possible to have a full association picture.**

1. Treasurer's Report –Kristine Gullickson

* Bank Balance as of September 23, 2019: $125325.62

1. Secretary – Natasha Hancharuk
2. Ice Allocator's Report – Shauna Paul

* Most teams have full ice practice until Oct 11. 2-3 practices a week.
* 4:30 Alex slot will be rotated between all age groups.
* Games start Oct 12 for U12-19. Schedule to be released ~Oct 2. Practices will be posted ASAP once the schedule is released.
* RAB reached out to LRC to see if they could host 2020 RAB Cup, they were unable to accommodate. RAB has asked if possibly 2021 they would be interested. Waiting on response from Bernadette.
* No Step 1 team so no bumpers or paint required. Have already requested to switch 2-hour Sat slot with someone at Alex for session 2 prior to teams being decided. Have not heard back from LRC.
* **Teams need to give as much notice as possible for rescheduled or cancelled games**

1. Referee-In-Chief's Report – Vacant

* Evaluation Games – U12. Propose $20/game for refs who worked those games. **Kerri motions to pay refs $25/game as per NARRA posted rates. Kari seconds, all in favor.**
* Re: Exhibition Games - NARRA responsible for U14A and up. They are looking for AT LEAST 72 hours’ notice but would prefer one weeks’ notice. Costs will be added to associations monthly invoice. Will be the responsibility of the association to collect from the team.
* Re: Game Cancellations – Advise coaches to notify the Assignor as soon as they know the game needs to be rescheduled. Do not wait until a new date/time has been set to send this notification.
* Re: Shot Clocks – Need to be maintained and in working order!
* Re: Tournaments – RAB is looking to have a list of all possible refs to them ~3 weeks prior to the event, a game schedule with official assignments submitted for approval and a final copy of the game schedule (i.e. with officials who actually refed games) submitted after the tournament.
* See attached meeting minutes for further points.

1. Equipment Manager's Report – Jackie Jones

* Replacement Goalie Equipment Bags needed.
* Replacement Ring Bags needed.
* **Asks that everyone hands in damaged rings, may find a use for them later on.**
* **$500 budget for the bags and first aid kits. Kari motions, Crystal seconds, All in favor**

1. Registrar's Report – Kerri McKinnon

* Active Start begins October 25th – registration still open.
* U10 Registrations will be reviewed on a case by case basis when received.
* As of Sept 22, 2019, there are 125 registered players:

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| **Division** | **Number Registered** | **Last year** | **Change from last year (compared to Sept18h)** |
| Active Start | 13 | 5 | +8 |
| U10 | 22 | 34 | -12 |
| U12 | 28 | 24 | +4 |
| U14 | 13 | 18 | -5 |
| U16 | 14 | 17 | -3 |
| U19 | 18 | 16 | +2 |
| Open | 17 | 12 | +5 |
| **Total registered**  **as of Sept 22nd** | **125** | **126** | **-1** |

**Releases**:

* 4 Releases to AA
* 3 Releases to Beaumont

**Withdrawals**:

* 1 Withdrawal @ Open
* 1 Withdrawal @ U12
* 2 Withdrawals @ U10
* 2 Withdrawals @ U14
* 1 Withdrawal @ U16

**Approved move ups**:

* 1 Approved move to U14
* 2 Approved moves to U16
* 3 Approved moves to U19

**Late Registrations**:

* None

1. Zone 5 Rep. Report – Pam Horn

* **Teams:**
* **U10 S2 1 pool of 6 teams (Black)**
* **U12A – 1 pool of 9 teams**
* **U12C – 1 pool of 12 teams**
* **U14C – 1 pool of 9 teams**
* **U16B – 1 pool of 9 teams**
* **U19B – 1 pool of 10 teams**
* **Over age players that affect our teams are U10 S2 – DV has 2 first year U12 players and only one team, U12 C – EDM has a first year player that is 12 years old.**
* **$20 replacement fee for spectator liaison lanyards. The team managers are responsible for these.**

**Spectator Liaison Program**

The abuse of game officials by coaches and spectators is the main reason why referees (especially those in their early teens) drop out of the development program. As a result, associations face shortages of game officials at all levels. Addressing this unacceptable behavior is a top priority for BGL, if ringette is to have an adequate supply of referees.

Both Home and Away teams, participating in all divisions U10 – U19 are required to provide a spectator liaison for every BGL league game and playoff game (if applicable). The spectator liaison can be any person associated with a player on the team, over the age of 18. The spectator liaison can be a different person each game and their name must be PRINTED on the game sheet in the space provided. The spectator liaison must wear the identifying BGL neck lanyard and sit in a visible area in the stands with the spectators. The spectator liaison must be an individual who is willing to control and monitor the behavior of the parents and team spectators throughout the game. This role is to be taken very seriously and the goal of this role is to keep the parents and coaches in the game following the rules as set forth in code of conduct as well as maintaining respect for the referees and opposing team. This role is not in place for the spectator liaison to question any calls made by the officials.

**Description of duties:**

* Wear the BGL spectator liaison neck lanyard – this is to be provided by a team official.
* Ensure your name is printed on the game sheet (vertical space beside black HOMR or VISITOR bar).
* Place yourself in a visible area in the middle of your team’s spectators.
* Monitor the behavior of your team’s spectators and coaching staff.
* Quickly diffuse potential issues before they escalate by either making your presence more visible, or calmly addressing the behavior with the person(s) involved.
* Address inappropriate comments, gestures, and/or any other unsporting behavior directed at the game officials, players, coaching staff or any other individual by your team’s spectators.
* Submit a brief report in writing, outlining any incidents involving any individuals, to the referee after the game or to the BGL VP, if requested.
* Failure to provide a spectator liaison may result in a default win for the opposing team.
* All teams are granted a 15 minute grace period to provide a spectator liaison.

1. Fundraising & Bingo Report – Crystal Kardelis

* Looking into running a ‘Chase the Ace’ raffle that we could run in December – January.
* **Crystal will work with Amy on ‘Chase the Ace’ proposal.**
* Bottle Drive possible dates: October 26 or November 2.
* Bingos should be up and listed on the website by end of the week for people to volunteer.
* Volunteer database is just about complete and ready to go for the season, just waiting on final rosters.

1. Coach Coordinator – Derrick Howard

* All HC & AC are in place for the season.
* Active Start looks good so far.
* Last of the criminal record check letters will be out Thursday at Manager & Coach meeting.
* JC meeting at 5:45pm before Manager & Coach meeting.
* Next step will be working on making sure everyone is certified for their level.
* Also, looking for more coaching staff at U14.
* **CSI being run on October 5**
* **CI is needed by a few coaches. Looking into potentially running CI clinic in Leduc as well.**

1. Manager Coordinator – Kerri McKinnon

* Managers for U10 and up are in place:
  + U19 – Carlos Segura
  + U16 – Kristine Gullickson
  + U14 – Brenda Goddu
  + U12 Team 1 – Jana Mullin
  + U12 Team 2 – Kari Baker
  + U10 Team 1 – Daniel Dupont
  + U10 Team 2 – Nicole Liddle
  + Active Start – Two people interested, maybe suggest a co-manager role (Amy Shipley/Karen Clark)
* Manager information will be uploaded to BGL following the tier confirmation for U12 and U10.
* Manager & Coach meeting is Thursday, September 26th at 6pm.
* **Jerseys will be handed out at the manager meeting.**
* **Managers and Coaches to be made aware of the tournament policy.**

1. Player Dev. Report – Dean Charpentier

* Thank you to the TSC for the extra time involved this year! Much Appreciated!
* All evaluations completed and teams selected for U12-19. We may be looking at a few scrimmages to evaluate U16/19.
* Two late requests to move at U14 level. Those have to be discussed by TSC.
* Tentative Breakfast Club has been moved to Fridays Starting Nov 1. Need to get registration out for Session 1 this week. Will allow 2 weeks registration for interest before cancelling. Possibly certain teams may want this ice for extra practice.
* Contract for Spring/Summer ice needs to be in by Mid October. Will book for Development Programs and Summer Camps again.
* **Shannon Jordan will be doing power skating in the Wednesday 4:30pm ice time.**

1. Social Media Director – Erin Black

* No Report.

1. Tournament Coordinator's Report – Crystal Kardelis

* Tournament Sanction applied for and approved. $308 this year versus $50 last year. Fee changed to $7/team attending, includes home teams as well. Projecting 44 teams, same as last year.
* Looking to put together a subcommittee to help run the tournament. Looking to mentor at least 2-3 from U12 in hopes of them taking on the tournament in future seasons. Will be getting help from Kari Baker & Angela Hewlett.
* **We will not be having a Golden Ticket this year.**
* **Going to look into Team Snap Tournament**

1. Webmaster Report – Amy Lackie

* **Will post the fundraising and Spectator Liaison information on the website.**
* **Will put the sponsor logos on the website: LA Nissan, Prairie Dental and Evolution Sports**

1. PR & Marketing – Brenda Goddu

* All three of our 3-year title sponsors completed their term with us at the end of the season.
  + LA Nissan would like to move forward with LRA again, no change to the agreement. They have requested Kari Baker as a contact, so would be either U12C or U16B team. **These will be given to the U12C team.**
  + Local Meats declined to move forward with us for another season.
  + Prairie Dental is moving forward with us for another season.
* Ringette pants are in at Evolution. Ringette bags are coming in and will be logo-ed. Final meeting with evolution Thursday for gear. Evolution will be coming to picture day.
* 3% back to LRA was settled on, instead of the initial 2.5% presented for sales at Evolution related to Ringette gear, and VIP shopping cards.
* Our FB ad was won by Kim de Champlain, the prize was body lotion, make up bag, nail polish and SPF tinted lip balm, donated by Envision Medical Spa Inc.
* LRA placed an ad for the Fall magazine, City Guide.
* Best Western Denham Inn will provide a prize for the tournament prize table in turn to be listed as a preferred hotel for the tournament.

1. Unfinished Business:
   1. Goalies
      1. Offers, incentives for U10, U12 & U14.
      2. Hockey looking to work with us.
   2. Banking Options
2. New Business
   1. Display Case – Wilhauk Arena
   2. **The last weekend of playdowns is also the first weekend of spring break.**
   3. **Parent Handbook Needs updating, need to add tournament policy.**
      1. **U10 and U12 will have a maximum of 1 away tournament and 2 home tournaments including the Wild Things tournament.**
      2. **U14, U16 and U19 will have a maximum of 2 away tournaments and 2 home tournaments including the Wild Things tournament.**
3. Next Meeting: **October 22-24**
4. Adjournment: **8:15pm**