



APRIL 2019

OKOTOKS MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



Thank you...we couldn't have done it without you!

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IMPORTANT DATES:

Apr 13: Jerseys and Jeans Fundraiser

May 15: OMHA AGM

**NEW 2018-2019
SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES
RELEASED**

#Thankful

FROM THE OMHA EXECUTIVE

To Our Wonderful Parents and Players,

By now you have all wrapped up your seasons, and have reminisced about all of your good, no GREAT, experiences from 2018-2019. We would like to thank all of the coaches, assistants, managers, data entry persons, jersey parents, treasurers, and everyone else that contributed their efforts. No season could happen without you and we appreciate everything you do!

Even though this season has concluded, please don't forget that we are already planning for next year. Our AGM will take place this May 15 and we invite you all to attend.

Take care and if we don't see you at the AGM, have a great summer and see you in October!

- OMHA Executive Team

REMINDERS...

OMHA EQUIPMENT RETURNS, FINAL BUDGETS & DEPOSIT RETURNS

Ryan will be accepting team's equipment returns during the last week of March and the first week of April. The required equipment for the returns are washed/dried jerseys, pucks, bucket, goalie equipment (if applicable) **and first aid kits**

In order for your team to receive their full equipment deposit returned, they will need to submit their final budget to Amanda, treasurer@okotokshockey.com.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE	May 15, 2019
TIME	7:00 PM
LOCATION	Olympic Room Pason Centennial Arena

Multiple volunteer positions
will be available

OMHA JERSEYS AND JEANS - APRIL 13, 2019

TICKETS SELLING NOW FOR JERSEY AND JEANS 2019

500 Tickets available - ONLY \$60 each
Crescent Point Fieldhouse

All proceeds of the event will be used for Coach & Player Development, Equipment & Jersey Replacement, and Health & Safety Programs

Please contact jerseysnjeans@gmail.com for any questions or to purchase your tickets.



IMPORTANT LINKS & NOTES:

OMHA Website
OMHA Bylaws
OMHA Game and Conduct

REGISTRATION OPEN FOR THE FUTURE COACHES PROGRAM

Future Coaches is designed to develop male and female Midget Aged players in the areas of coaching, skill instruction, and leadership. There will be three Future Coaches weekend clinics available in Red Deer, Calgary, and Edmonton.

Red Deer - April 5-6 - [REGISTER >](#)

Calgary - April 12-13 - [REGISTER >](#)

Edmonton - April 12-13 - [REGISTER >](#)



On-Ice Helpers / JR Coaches

OMHA is committed to the development of all our members, whether playing or coaching the game of hockey. If you have someone on the ice under 18, please see our "Junior Coach Program" section on our web page for more information. A helper that has not filled in the applicable forms may be removed from the ice immediately.

Leisure Ice at Pason Centennial

Opening hours of the Leisure Ice Arena will be 9:00 am – 9:00 p.m. *Please note that this surface is for leisure skating only. Full hockey equipment is not permitted, hockey practices/warm-ups and figure skating is not allowed and users will lose their regular ice times if abused in any way.*

save the dates

JERSEYS AND JEANS
APRIL 13 2019

In Other News....

OMHA BYLAWS

Our bylaws were last updated in 2010 and are due for an update. Dan Laplante has graciously offered to help us, thank you Dan!

ARTICLE OF THE MONTH - GONGSHOW

Dear Hockey Dads/Moms,

What can you say about a life defined by hockey. A life dictated by hockey. A life dedicated to hockey and a life dedicated to each other.

Looking back on it all, it becomes so much clearer now. No matter what year it was, what season it was, what team it was— We were the most important team in my life. A lot of things changed over the years, the sweater on my back changed, the faces in the room changed, the car we drove to games in changed. But there was always one thing that never changed and that was you.

Heading out every weekend on a new challenge—a new mission. It wasn't a ritual, it was our life. You taught me to dedicate myself to the game, and in turn without realizing it we dedicated ourselves to each other. We dedicated ourselves to the road and rink. I dedicated myself to my skating, my shot, my teammates and my friends. But you, what did you have to dedicate yourself to? You dedicated yourself to me, nothing more nothing less. You never worked on getting your shot better you worked on making the backyard rink better. You never worked on making your stride better, you worked on tying my skates just a little bit better.

As I have gotten older and moved on from the game, I now realize how much I must have meant to you. I have always known how much you meant to me. That was something I could always feel, I might not have shown it or let you know it at the time but it was there.

When I think about it though, I never knew what you were doing during all of this – that is until now. And it makes all the difference, it's the foundation for a new found love and respect that I have for you and hockey parents everywhere. What game were you playing? What was your goal? Where was your fun? After looking back I finally found the answer — it was me. I was your team, my happiness was your goal. That's all it was, simple and pure. You're the one who had to worry about getting me there on time. You're the one who had to make sure I had enough to eat. You're the one who had to work overtime so that there was always enough gas was the tank. You're the one who had to sacrifice every weekend to stand on the glass and endure the freezing cold. All in the name of my happiness and the opportunity for me to chase my dream.

You'd think looking back, it would be all the on ice memories that took center stage. All those championship teams and amazing victories, but no. Those rides to and from the rink are what stand out the most. The ride home was always when I would feel the most proud. The congratulations that I would receive after the game from other parents, players or coaches didn't matter. It was all about hearing the congratulations from you on our ride home. Going over all the great plays and memorable moments from the game was always my highlight, it turns out that's all I was playing for.

Thanks for being a great parent, thanks for being a great hockey parent, thanks for being a great teammate.





In Other News....

BE A PART OF HISTORY AS WE BUILD A HOCKEY STICK MURAL AT THE PASON CENTENNIAL ARENA

Just like the pros, sign and display your favorite stick permanently on the donation wall. All proceeds go towards new furniture and fixtures in the expanded arena and a charitable donation receipt provided. View the design online and at the Pason Centennial Arena Client Services desk. For more information, please visit okotoks.ca/pcamural or call 403.938.8954.



Donation Prices:

8" Stick - \$125
Plaque - \$400

18" Stick - \$250
5' Stick - \$600



SUMMER DAYCAMP

August 12-16, 2019
Pason Centennial Arenas
Okotoks, AB

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Pason Gold Advertising Opportunities

Rink Board (4'x8') - 21 available	\$1500*/year
Wall Board (3'x8') - 29 available	\$1000*/year
In Ice Logo (4'x12') - 4 available	\$3000*/year
Score Clocks - SOLD	\$850* ea. or \$1500* for both/year

All 2018-2019 sponsors will receive the right of first refusal for the following season.

*All fees above do not include the cost for production and installation

CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR GOLD SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE

Each package includes your sponsorship in OMHA Sponsored events such as tournaments, fundraisers, and the option of a rink or wall board

Contact Brenda Nagy at omhasponsorship@okotokshockey.com or Konrad Berg at kberg@okotokshockey.com for additional details.



From Our Sponsors

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

WONDERING HOW YOU CAN GET YOUR ADVERTISEMENT IN THE NEWSLETTER?

All official sponsors of OMHA have the option to advertise in the monthly newsletter that is distributed to over 1450 families. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact the sponsorship committee at omhasponsorship@okotokshockey.com



Okotoks Oilers Regular Season

Monday Apr 1 vs Bandits @ 7:00 pm
Tuesday Apr 2nd vs Bandits @ 7:00 pm
Sunday Apr 7th vs Bandits @7:00 PM, if needed

Thank you for your support throughout the regular season. A reminder that your VIP cards are no longer valid.



On behalf of Josh & Melissa Esler and the staff at Professional Skate Service. We would like to congratulate all the OMHA players on making their respected teams and wish everyone a fun and safe hockey season.

Please have a look at our new OMHA branded store that includes apparel and equipment for your personal or team needs this season. [Click here to view online!](#)



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