

## Development Director Report 2020-21

- This year, a lot of the focus was helping the coaches navigate the Covid restrictions, and helping them understand how practices and games would look.
- For the coach selection process, we utilized a fair and transparent process.
- I drew upon my relationships with some of our alumni players, and worked with them to give our coaches and athletes the opportunity to develop and learn from these highly qualified players.
- With board approval and goalie coordinator's support, we designed a program with goalie coach Kat Acheson to observe and analyze goalies during gameplay. She also then joined them for 2 practices to work with the goalie on those things observed, and the coach in creating new effective drills to continue development.
- I helped put together a power skating program for our U10 and U12 athletes to help develop their skating skills (that worked within the restrictions at that time).
- Held zoom meetings with U10 Coaches to help them get familiarized with the game concepts, and answer any questions they had.
- Had one on one conversations with many of the coaches and coaching staff throughout the season.
- Worked closely in the beginning of the season with Lorrie Horne (Team Canada Coach) to create a coaching development program, but due to Covid restrictions, we were unable to proceed this season.
- I put together a talented coaching staff, and held ice in May and June for player development (all ages), but at this point, due to Covid restrictions, it's looking like we're again unable to proceed.