



Tillsonburg Ringette Association

Agenda

Date: August 22, 2023 @ 7 pm

Location: Marwood Lounge

Members Present: Jason Routley, Matt Freelen, Alycia Stier, Alicia Wilson, Jason Hughes, Melissa Hughes, Amanda Thorpe, Melissa Tunks, Wendy Tupper, Brad VanPuymbroeck, Scott Heath, Erin Todd, Vanessa Alton, Ashley Jasper, Stephanie Heath

Regrets: Erin Howse

Guest: Becky

Rules of the Road: One person to speak at a time. Limit side bar conversations. Be open to other’s perspectives this means: non-defending; Open to learning and being influenced; Open to differences; Think short term and long term; Have fun!

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1.0	Welcome/Roll Call	Meeting called to order at: 19:01 First: Erin Second: Ashley	
	Guest - Becky	<p>FUN1 discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Becky volunteers to coach both groups • 52 registrations (fewer majors than minors, 7 sibling families) • This number may increase over time, consider Come Try registrations • Discussed movement of players between groups to accommodate registrations. • Consider booking 2 FUN2 games at once. No refs (coaches ref) • Consider cut-off date for registration – September 15th (after the Come Try) Don't want to turn people away if possible, exciting to grow association numbers • FUN2 is currently at 27 (6-7 have registered for FUN1 but should be placed in FUN2) • Consider keeping siblings together • Consider extra ice in Langton - No ringette lines in Langton • Jessah will ask for ice in Langton - Lisa Columbus contact for Langton ice 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero ice to book a different weekend for the tournament – consider a march break mini tournament ice – consensus is that availability will be low • We will request April ice when in January 15th when next ice contracts are due for a Spring 3 on 3 • A one-day tournament is more feasible – throw out dates and Becky will try to trade with other associations for ice time • Thank you to Becky for her time, commitment and dedication to summer camp this year • We have enough FUN1 jerseys (65) 	
2.0	Review of previous minutes/action items	<p>Open Action Items from last meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Retrieve keys from inactive bench staff/have more keys cut (*equipment will reach out via email to retrieve keys) - Don't forget to discuss team specific fundraising form to have approval through board <p>Approval of June and July Meeting Minutes: First: Wendy Second: Brad</p>	
Standing Reports			
3.0	Public Relations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would like to discuss marketing budgeting for the year – grant received \$2300 (may need to submit receipts to confirm it was spent) • Review the grant details to order the correct items and provide proof/receipts to grant source • Would like to discuss Come Try Ringette advertising – Facebook, Instagram add <p>Motion to spend \$5/day (\$80) on social media adds for Come Try Ringette Motion carried unanimously.</p>	
4.0	Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed July 2023 transactions and current account balances 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to adjust singing authorities • Paid camp jerseys and season jerseys from Raffle • Calendar Lottery hasn't been closed – president will consult with Melissa to complete old license and start current license <p>Motion to Accept Treasurers Report: Jason H Second: Matt All in favour. None opposed.</p>	
6.0	Referee in Chief	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TRA got approved to host a Level 1 clinic Sun Sep 24th 9-1pm. Will need Ashley to post on social media, and maybe send an email blast. I will reach out to the U14's that did our learn to ref program. Ringette Ontario will be paying for this ice time, so if we get approved for the grant, will be some extra funds to spend. • Registration is now open for all officials to sign up • Dorchester is hosting a come try reffing Sunday Sep 10th @ 5pm, is this something we want to consider? Do we want to do the try reffing program that we did last year, where interested individuals shadowed in actual games • Discussed possible incentive to get refs to Come Try • Registration Link on the RO Officials website • Community Coaching Grant, applied for \$1,000 will hear back in August • Discussed allocation of development funds – used to be team specific, consider keeping development opportunities consistent across teams instead, offering everyone development opportunities included with registration 	
7.0	President /Webmaster	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose a photo day (5 hours) Sat Oct 28 everyone has ice (9:30-2:30) book the Lions Den • Respect in Sport – parents have been notified. 52 promotion codes left, only 40 parents left to complete. Webmaster will track it. • President has been replying to everyone emailing "info" • Police checks are free through OPP. Once bench staff are selected. Get on it. Need to enforce this for safety and liability. Melissa will get a list to the president. 	

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8.0	Coaching & Player Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed likely number of teams per age group 2 FUN 1 2 FUN 2 - hoping for three 3 FUN 3 (at 32) 2 U12 – (at 30) hoping for three - potentially a B and 2C (many new registrants) 1 U14 1 U16 • FUN's must be balanced skill wise • U12 – association can tier them or balance them, Half way – teams are re-seeded • Can borrow players, smaller rosters, can borrow laterally or pull up from younger groups • We have to declare what teams we intend to host by September 14th • Larger Teams of each age group will be created on RAMP • Now we have 28 bench staff applicants. I think we have enough coaches for all teams but not many have volunteered for head coach positions. Will let coaches know in the next week - will hold off for the u12 until evaluations are done • Independent evaluators available. Will land on a matrix to use. • Brad will prepare the jerseys for evaluations. • Team Development Committee will meet Sunday the 10th at 1:30 to discuss team development • Coaches meeting September 7th – Jessah will book the community center • Have been talking to Mike about power skating - waiting for him to get back to me on the night that works best between Monday and Wednesday. (Tuesdays is St. Thomas) • Camp update. See financing sheet - still waiting on the invoice on the jerseys. Overall a huge success. The teen volunteers were amazing and much thanks to Becky, Kayla and Kristen who helped me pull it all off. 	
9.0	Equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pants - I discussed with Tyler from Source about stocking Twisters pants. There are questions about type (sizes, colours, suspenders vs belt) 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment Room - I believe there is room for everyone to have their own locker. Would need to finalize how many teams we are having per age division. • Equipment Room - Jason Hughes and I went through and organized the room. I am working on finalizing the inventory list. Hope to have this distributed by tomorrow afternoon. • Tell parents to call Tyler directly to place a mass order by a certain date September 15st • I have already met with a few sets of parents that have borrowed equipment. This will be on the inventory list *encourage donations • Jerseys - Discuss the distribution of the new jerseys. There is a big difference in sizing between the new ones and old ones. Also the colour of the new ones do not match the old ones. I will bring in samples to show the differences. • Consider allocating a locker per team with a combo lock to keep jerseys and rings • First Aid Kits - We will need to buy some more if we are distributing one to each team. • Rings will be divided by color coded luggage straps. • Encourage bench staff to only use new rings for games (old rings to practice) 	
10.0	Fundraising	<p>Cash Calendar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would like to start lottery license application. Need to close last years license. • Dominoes donated 30 Large pizza coupons for the calendar - they are aware we will only use a few for the calendar and they are okay if we use them for other events • Discussed prize ideas • Sold early November, draw December <p>Bottle Drive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October 14th • Discuss location <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water Bottles? Ask Jason about having Andre do bottles early in the season. Perhaps have him come for picture day. 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rafflebox QR code 50/50 – will revisit this 	
11.0	Banquet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May run a separate fundraiser to support banquet 	
12.0	Sponsorship	<p>Gold Sponsors for the season:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Well Master -NEW Well Master - NEW Phil Yeo Contracting -NEW Enviro Haul (in Kind) - NEW Rick's Carpet - NEW Howard Johnson - NEW Verne's Carpet One Speedy Glass Service Master - waiting payment TA Thomson - waiting payment Platinum Concrete - waiting payment Erie's Edge - waiting payment Cowards Pharmacy <p>Silver Sponsors:</p> <p>Bossy Nagy Group Optomist Club - waiting payment</p> <p>In Kind Sponsors:</p> <p>Shooter's photography Enviro Haul Domino's Marc's Gas Bar TKO ?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed sponsor bars and pricing options Alycia will order sponsor bars (15 per team) 	

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13.0	Tournament/Major Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing to report 	
14.0	Registrar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current numbers for each age group: FUN1 - 51 FUN2 - 27 FUN3 - 32 U12 - 30 U14 – 14 (11) U16 – 4 (7) A few people have registered their children for the wrong age group and have paid f/up needed. Jason will reach out to these families and advise them of outstanding balance 	
15.0	Scheduler	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ice Contracts for this season received. They are all attached for your reference. At this point all Memorial ice from Sept 18-30 is tentative at this time. Insurance Certificate is due to the Community Center September 15th Signed Contracts are due to the Community Center September 15th We have Saturday, Sunday, Monday Tuesday and Wednesday ice times. Discussed Monday and Tuesday ice usage At this time I have it set up that the first weekend is for Evaluations for Fun 2, 3, and U12 along with regular practice for Fun 1, U14 and U16. Reviewed draft schedule We have two random half hours as well over the course of two weekends (ex: our contract is a 10:45-3:15 block) Discussed options for ice use – suggested we do a skills clinic/goalie come try – noted that we don't have enough equipment to host a goalie come try. Discussed returning ice on bottle drive date and after Regionals Discussed extra ice in neighbouring communities (Langton and Aylmer) Consider one day tournament 	
16.0	Vice President & Risk Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing to report 	

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17.0	LTS & Adult League	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult league – how many registered (7 shinny, 3 swirl) • Shinny starts late October – may promote this • Monday's 9:15 – 10:15 starting Oct 16th • Swirl may not be running because of limited ice availability 	
18.0	WRRRA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report 	
19.0	WRRL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm all are aware of important dates and guidance put forward by WRRL • Insert important dates • We voted yes to the merger of Western Southern and Central regions 	
20.0	WORL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report 	
21.0	New/Old Business	<p>Old Business:</p> <p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss Newsletter – Steph will do 	
23.0	Next meeting date:	September 12 th at 7:00pm	
24.0	Adjournment Time:	<p>Motion to Adjourned at 9:56</p> <p>First: Brad</p> <p>Second: Vanessa</p>	