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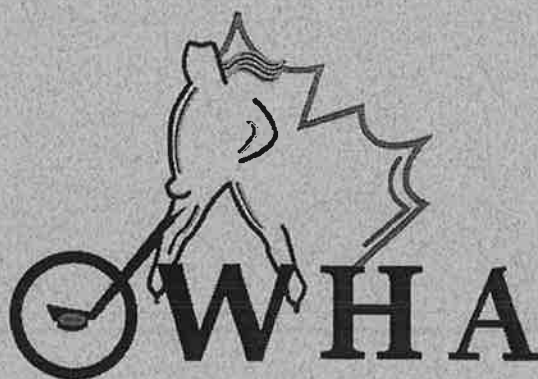
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PRESIDENT'S / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

APPRECIATE WHAT WE HAVE WHILE WE'RE WORKING TO GET WHAT WE WANT

- 1975** Girls and women had great difficulty finding a team or league for "them"
The vast majority of the general public found female players a novelty at best
Sufficient funds to support a team were difficult to find
Sponsors at any level were non-existent
A realistic vision – perhaps – a team, a league, an association of our own
The formation of: The Ontario Women's Hockey Association

Twenty-five years later – the impossible dream has come true – **together**, we have accomplished:

- The Ontario Women's Hockey Association is the only organization of its kind in the world
- The Ontario Women's Hockey Association offers the most extensive opportunities for girls and women anywhere in the world
- The Ontario Women's Hockey Association has led the charge for national, international and Olympic events that have been the catalyst for wide spread grass roots development
- The Ontario Women's Hockey Association is respected and admired for the strength of its programmes, the quality of its participants, its focus on positive Values and its professionalism
- The Ontario Women's Hockey Association is envied for its success in attracting major sponsorship from highly successful corporations
- Many people and players are anxious to join and support the very successful Ontario Women's Hockey Association
- Some individuals and organizations are jealous of the Ontario Women's Hockey Association and want to become involved for selfish motivation and personal gain – this is contrary to the Values of hockey, of sport and of Canadian society – our positive values will prevail.
- The Ontario Women's Hockey Association has the strength and ability to succeed against all challenges – we have overcome many, many unjust, uphill battles – we will continue to compete, and win many more –
- The OWHHA is committed to our players and to the ongoing well being of female hockey in Ontario, Canada and the world.

The 1998/99 season – the last full season of a century of success for female hockey—some highlights:

- LOGO – a new logo showcasing the uniqueness, the strength and the unity of the OWHHA
- In 1998-99 over 23,000 participants enjoyed their involvement on 1394 teams in the OWHHA.
- A spirit of fun, fair play and friendship dominate the association.
- Young girls are lacing up to learn the skills while mothers and grandmothers are signing up as first time players.
- Three hundred and twenty-six teams from all parts of Ontario played in 35 levels of provincial championships. One hundred and five teams went home with medals. As the game grows in numbers and popularity, the challenges are great – but the opportunities are even greater!
- The OWHHA has credibility and respect within the sporting world and the general public.
- Milk Energy Penalty Free Sweepstakes Promotes Clean Play. Promoting the annual contest were spokespersons Margot Page, Paul Henderson and Ron MacLean. From December 12, 1998 and January 31, 1999 OWHHA teams submitted 1356 entries (for penalty free games).

- Sponsors recognize the winning partnership opportunities with female hockey. The OWHA sincerely thanks:

Canadian Tire
ESSO

General Motors
Hershey Canada

General Mills
Beatrice Parmalat

McDonalds
Molson

Bauer

- Distinguished celebrities regularly express their pride in supporting the OWHA. These include:
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|--|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Don Cherry | Ron MacLean | Ken Dryden | Pat Quinn |
| Brian McFarlane | Jerry Howarth | Ron Ellis | Michael Burgess |
| Mayor Hazel McCallion | Bobby Orr | Professor Ed Ratushny | Paul Henderson |
| Rachael Blanchard (OWHA player – now an actress on the TV show Clueless) | | | |

THE FUTURE – TOWARDS 2000

The Ontario Women's Hockey Association looks forward to:

- * **Fun** *For everyone - players, volunteers, officials, parents, fans*
- * **Equity** *Teams for every young girl and woman*
- * **Fair Play** *Competition on the ice and cooperation off the ice*
- * **Excellence** *Skill development & opportunities for those aspiring to high levels*
- * **Good Citizenship** *Learning life skills through hockey*
- * **Integrity & Honesty** *Open communication, understanding and support*

We look forward to continue working with our members throughout Ontario and with our colleagues throughout Canada and the world to improve opportunities in hockey for everyone and to show leadership within the universal sporting world.

Fran Rider

It's a joy to Volunteer

I've been blessed with gifts and talents
To be used some special way,
To lend a hand or help someone
Who's struggling day by day.
All it costs is my commitment
And a little extra caring,
While making a priority
Of reaching out and sharing.
And it's a privilege working
For the causes I hold dear,
Just doing what I can to help
each time I volunteer

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Another season is over and many are already starting their preparations for the 1999-2000 season.

This past season there was much success throughout the province. The success of individual players, teams, leagues and associations are regularly highlighted in local newspapers and on web sites.

I found the past season very busy, being involved in sanctioned tournaments, sanction requests, categorization, discipline, appeal hearings, Senior Provincials, Nationals, Provincials, Central Canadian Championships, finance and management committees as well as regular board meetings. But it was an enjoyable season.

The year 2000 will be exciting, but there will be challenges ahead which will require commitment and team work from all levels of this association. Female hockey is moving farther and faster than most of us ever imagined and, we should be proud that we are part of Ontario Women's Hockey Association. I know that I am.

Bryan Chappell

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As a member of this executive I am pleased to have been given the opportunity to work with so many wonderful people. The friends and acquaintances that I have made during this past year make this a pleasurable job and a fun opportunity.

My roles in the organization are often very different from playing the game of hockey, but I know that what I and others do make playing this great female game a possibility for many young girls, and women in the province.

I hope that I can continue to make a contribution on behalf of our members towards the success of our association. I thank you for the opportunity to represent the Ontario Women's Hockey Association.

Pat Nicholls

THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This was another exciting year in women's hockey as we continue to move forward with our development programs. Our development committees have been working towards developing plans of action that will not only meet our present needs, but will meet the future requirements of female hockey in Ontario. It is the OWH's objective to deliver, develop and promote all our programs to meet the distinctive needs of female hockey, at both the recreational and high performance levels. To do this, it is crucial that we all work together and we encourage you to contact our office by letter or fax, with your input. We also require more members to volunteer their time and expertise to work on these committees and if you do have an interest in becoming more involved with our development programs, please contact our OWH office.

It was a busy year and a great learning experience as liaison of the Initiation, Coaching, Trainers, Referees and Harassment and Abuse Committees. I am delighted with the accomplishments fulfilled by the committees this past season and offer a sincere thank you to each committee member for the time, effort and support they gave to and on behalf of the OWH. We encourage all members to attend as many clinics and seminars in your area as possible and to forward your input to us!

I would like to thank all members for the opportunity to serve as your vice president, appreciate the OWH Executive for the understanding, cooperation and assistance you gave me during my first year as vice president, but most of all I am grateful for the patience and support I receive from my husband and children – thank you Ron, Carla, Ryan and Kendra!

Suzanne Essex

EASTERN REGIONAL REPORT

The 1998-99 hockey season was a busy one in the Eastern region. Several new teams were formed in both Regions A and C, and a new association was established in Region A. The excitement which was created by the entry of women's hockey into the 1998 Olympic games certainly contributed to encouraging more girls and women to become actively involved in female hockey. Judging from the number of calls and inquiries I have received in recent months, we will be experiencing additional growth in the fall.

Sixteen tournaments took place in the Eastern region during the season and I was able to attend thirteen of them. The arduous task of organizing any tournament, large or small, involves a huge commitment of time and effort from both convenor and committee members. I was very impressed by the level of organization at every tournament I monitored. Congratulations to all who worked so hard to host successful tournaments.

Twenty-seven teams participated in Regional Playdowns this year, and despite some weather conditions which interfered with scheduled game dates, all playdowns were completed on time. At the Provincial Championships, gold medals went to NCCP Peewee AA, NCCP Bantam AA, Kingston Kodiaks Midget C, and Kingston Koogars Sr. C, silver medals were won by Rideau St. Lawrence Peewee BB, Cornwall Bantam A, Frontenac Midget B, and NCCP Midget AA, bronze medals were won by Kingston Kodiaks Peewee A, Napanee Midget BB, Cornwall Midget AA, and Kingston Kodiaks Intermediate A. We are proud of your achievements.

On the weekend of April 23 to 25, the Ottawa District Women's Hockey Association hosted two teams from Ontario and two from Quebec at Senior A, AA, and AAA levels in competition for the Central Canadian Championship at the Jim Durrell Centre in Ottawa. This was the second year for this "tournament" and the first time it was held in Ontario. Well done, ODWHA – it was a great weekend of exciting hockey.

I have really enjoyed my year as Regional Director. There are many challenges and there is always more to learn. With your continued cooperation and open lines of communication, we can achieve so much as we work together to improve the level of hockey available for every player. Thank you one and all for your support and encouragement this year. We are indeed fortunate to have so many hard-working and dedicated volunteers across the region. A very special thank you to my District Reps and other willing volunteers who represented me at tournaments and playdown games when I could not be in two places at once.

Next season, I hope to direct more attention to opportunities for development and, in this endeavor, I encourage teams and/or associations to give serious consideration to offering clinics for coaches, trainers and referees.

Have a safe and restful summer. I look forward to working with you next year and ask for your continued commitment to female hockey.

Elizabeth Stein

WESTERN REGIONAL REPORT

In my first year as Regional Director, I found it a very busy one for the OWHHA and women's hockey. We had a very strong & positive growth. In all of our associations and also in the development of new teams and associations. The Western region for the 1998-99 season hosted 98 competitive teams, 168 house league teams for a total of 266 teams representing approximately 3800 players and coaches.

When the Team Ontario Selection Committee announced the 20 players to represent Ontario at the 1999 Winter Games on Cornerbrook, Newfoundland, I was happy to see 7 of the team members were selected from the Western Region.

I would also like to thank all the dedicated and co-operative volunteers in the Western region, especially my District Reps, John Courtney, Dan Campbell, Paul Logan, Jamie Hughes, Kathy Dutot and Mary L'Heureux who together took on the many challenges succeeding in most arenas.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our Regional Teams for representing the Western region at The Provincial Championships with pride, dignity and excellent hockey.

To everyone, have an enjoyable summer break and all the best in the upcoming season.

Les Drury

NORTHERN REGIONAL REPORT

As I complete my rookie year as the Northern Regional Director, I would like to thank the many members who I came in contact with, for their patience and support as I learned to carry out my responsibilities.

Thank you to all the dedicated, hard working volunteers who promote, organize and support women's hockey. Your success is evident in the enthusiasm and tremendous growth in membership displayed across the north. During the past year, Ear Falls, Red Lake, Wawa, Kapuskasing, Little Current, St. Charles and Sturgeon Falls registered new teams. Well established associations and centers enjoyed a significant increase in registration giving rise to an increase in demands for sanctions, travel, tournaments and clinics.

One area of concern to me is communication. Not all teams are reporting their suspensions. The OWHHA rule book states that copies of game sheets for suspensions and confirming suspensions have been served, must be sent immediately to the Regional Director. Regional monthly reports are used to track problem areas and compile statistics for the province. Secondly, in order to avoid tournaments falling on the same weekend, Please discuss dates with neighboring communities and inform the OWHHA as soon as your ice is confirmed. To assist the categorizing committee, contact me to find the location of other teams in your division. Hopefully competitive teams can make arrangements to play against each other early in the hockey season.

Congratulations to *all* the teams who represented the Northern Region at the 1999 Provincial Championships. Gold medal winners include Algoma Senior B, Thunder Bay Bantam B, Kapuskasing Bantam C, Thunder Bay PeeWee BB, and Sault Ste Marie Atom B. Silver medals went to Algoma Midget A, Sault Ste Marie Bantam B, and Sudbury PeeWee AA. Timmins Senior A, White River/Wawa Senior CC, Thunder Bay Atom B and North Bay C earned Bronze.

I would like to thank my district reps for their assistance and my family for their encouragement and understanding.

I wish everyone a safe fun filled summer so we will be refreshed and ready to tackle another busy, exciting hockey season next fall.

Denise Marjerrison

CENTRAL EAST REGIONAL REPORT

Once again another season is over, and the next season seems to start right away, with requests for Permission to skate and release forms being the most requested items.

I would like to thank all the associations and teams in the Central East Region for all the help they have given me over the past six years. I have met and enjoyed the company of many wonderful people who put a lot of time and effort into their female hockey programs.

To the CEGHL executives for the fine job they have done in the organizing of a much needed league in the area. The teams were very competitive and had an excellent season. I know they are hoping that Durham West and Whitby will send a few teams to the league next season.

The past couple of years the number of teams in this region has grown tremendously. With tournaments, meetings and yes 85 Provincial play down games, it has become a very demanding and time consuming job. I would like to thank Colin Graham, Jane Ngimat, Bev Ferguson, Brenda Brill, Mary Ann Meagher and Dave Down for the help they gave me in monitoring the play downs. Without you it would have been impossible.

Congratulations to the teams that were winners in the Provincial Championships and to the teams that did not win, your scores were close, making your team very competitive in their games.

A big thank you to Peterborough Girl's Hockey Association for the beautiful portrait of Andria Hunter they presented to me.

Welcome to Bill Williamson as your new Regional Director, who I know will look after your many questions and/or problems.

Fran Jay

CENTRAL REGIONAL REPORT

"It counts not whether you win or lose but how you play the game." These famous words are attributed to Branch Rickey a person associated with baseball. No truer words I feel were said. It may stem from a different sport but female hockey certainly can learn from it. Many coaches and parents are placing too much importance on winning trophies and medals and not enough attention on their own conduct towards Referees, other parents and other teams. Ah, now I feel better. Please don't think that nothing good happened in Central region. On the contrary, far from it.

A new association was formed in the Georgian Triangle called Clearview. I went up for the opening along with Laura Schuler from Team Canada. It was very exciting and all their hard work was very obvious.

Tournaments were very strong this year. Successful – for sure. Barrie started our Region off in November with a flurry and then we went to "Christmas in the Valley" for the Clearview tournament and after Christmas it was time for Mississauga. January brought me up to Orangeville and of course that wonderful time of year Re-Classification and I hope you didn't forget your form A. February was hockey weekend in Orillia, just close enough to Casino Rama. March was busy, busy, Oakville and Burlington had their turn and we were all preparing for the Provincials and the Brampton Tournament. Ah, the Provincials. For us on the executive, the Provincials started in February with the Sr. AAA, AA, A's being held in Mississauga. Great hockey! Time to gear up for the Nationals, which were also held in Mississauga in March. BOO HOO – we didn't win but they made us proud by how they played the game. April 16 –18th we have to kick it into high gear and spend the weekend at the arena. I was at the Brampton Entertainment Centre so I did see some of you there but not all. I hope the girls had a lot of fun. I know that I will miss speaking to some of you next year but I just want to say thank you for your patience with me and I will see you in the arena.

Marg Allen

CENTRAL WEST REGIONAL REPORT

Another season has drawn to a close and I hope everyone enjoyed themselves as much as I did. Meeting old and new friends at the rinks and watching hockey is a great way to spend the winter.

I would like to congratulate all the many volunteers who make female hockey available for all our players. Their dedication and concern for the players is greatly appreciated, even though it may seem that it is not always noticed. Believe me, we at the executive level could not do all that we do without your support and hard work.

To all the associations that hosted tournaments in our region, Guelph University, Kitchener, Niagara Falls, Woolwich, Cambridge, Stoney Creek, Brantford, Niagara Falls Ladies, Hamilton, Flamborough, and Hamilton WHL, a big thank you for all your hard work.

Congratulations to all the teams who were successful in getting to the Provincials and representing our region. St. Catharines finally decided to enter the Provincial play-downs and ended up winning the gold medal in Senior. A job well done by the whole team. We also had two silver and four bronze medal winners.

Female hockey is growing by leaps and bounds all across Ontario and with that growth we will experience a few bumps and lumps. Please have patience with your executives as they try and keep up with the growth and make our hockey as enjoyable as possible for the players and fans. In my five years on the executive I have learned a great deal, but the best thing I've learned is that the majority of people in hockey are only here for the betterment of the players and our program.

Thank you for allowing me to represent you on the board and please enjoy your summer away from the arenas. As always, thank you Lynden.

Betty Solomon

METRO TORONTO REGIONAL REPORT

Another positive year for female hockey! Many new teams and Associations springing up all over Ontario particularly in the North. We welcome the Forest Hills/North Toronto Association in the Metro Region, a small house league of four teams and a Bantam C team who attended several tournaments. I'm sure they'll see more growth in the future.

Female hockey is becoming more and more competitive, natural with the growth and opportunities available in female hockey. The Associations in Metro are icing large numbers in house league and Rep play and are doing a great job of developing their players as well. Coaching has improved along with the skill level of our players and we're seeing more of our girls in the referee program. A solid program top to bottom can be found in all the Associations. Keep up the good work Metro! We are providing excellent competition balanced by fair play, fun and safety for all ages and skill levels.

As a Regional Director I oversee the teams in my region to help them all fulfil their requirements of being a member of the Ontario Women's Hockey Association whether it be for registering teams and players, interpreting and serving suspensions, holding try-outs, releasing or signing players, entering Provincials, playing in Playdowns, deciding where they should be categorized or providing input to the Board or other committees to improve their hockey environment. There is a perception that if a Regional Director is around there must be some kind of problem, but I probably miss more by not being by my phone than I hear or see when I'm at an arena. As a result, I don't get to watch and enjoy much hockey, there is always a question to answer or someone wanting to bend an ear, all part of the job.

I take great pride in the 35 teams from Metro who attended the Provincial Championships and the 8 medal winners. Congratulations to all!

Gold: Leaside Bantam BB, Lady Marlies Midget AA, Toronto Raiders Sr. BB

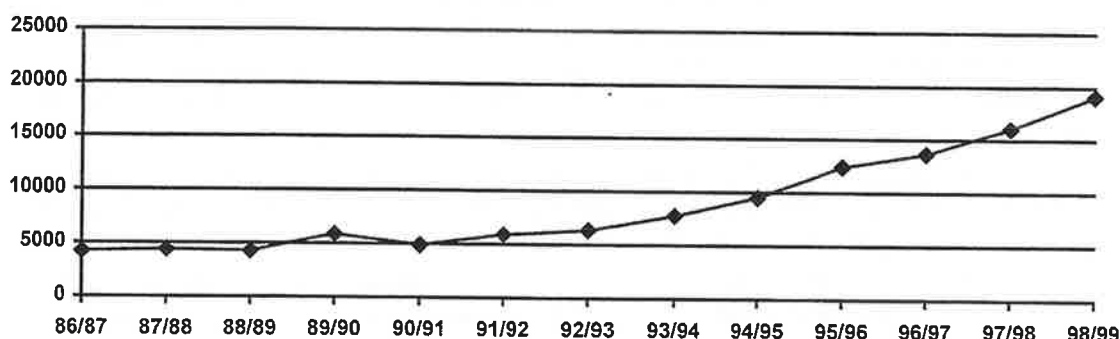
Silver: Etobicoke Novice BB, Toronto Red Zone Sr. BB

Bronze: Leaside Novice BB, North York Aeros Int. AA, Willowdale PeeWee AA

Bev Duffy

REGISTRATION REPORT

OWHA GROWTH CHART (Players/Year)



RECORD SEASON!

Congratulations to all members of the Ontario Women's Hockey Association on a record season of growth. Team membership in the OWHA increased by an amazing 301 teams in the 1998-99 season. That figure is almost double our previous season high increase. The Olympic impact combined with the enthusiasm of the OWHA membership in promoting the game locally, has fueled the growth.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

- ✍ **Intent to Register** form – New for 98-99 season (Approved at the 1998 AGM) and has been of immense help to the registration procedure. The ability to correlate the Team ID number throughout the paperwork has assisted greatly. Very good response from teams to submit the ITR form by August 31st.

- Benefits -
 - Able to provide members with a list of competitive teams and their submitted categories by the OWHA General Meeting – September 27th.
 - Regional Directors received team contact information by end of September
 - Early listing of competitive teams assisted the categorization process.
 - Ability to provide OWHA tournament convenors, upon request, with team contacts for their requested divisions.
 - Head start on data-entry (September vs early November)

- ✍ **Participant Change of Information** form – Also new for 98-99 season.

- Benefits -
 - Uniform submission of a team's changes in participant information.
 - Data entry made easier as consistent and necessary info is received
 - Filing: Easier filing as only one participant/team per form versus multiple participants and/or teams on one sheet.

- ✍ **Participant Registration** form (Team Roster) – Changes were also made to the Participant Registration form including:
 - Parent Initials (confirming that they read the important information detailed at the bottom of the form – Insurance, releases, etc.

- Benefits - Good risk management practice to involve the parents in the provincial registration process.

- ✍ **Team Finances** form – A more detailed team remittance form was implemented this past season. The majority of the teams/ associations used the form. The form is intended to aid the local volunteer to determine their final insurance/membership fees.

- ✍ **Association Finances** form – A more detailed association remittance form was implemented this past season. The majority of the associations used the form. The form is intended to aid the local volunteer to determine their final fees. It simplifies matters when the form is thoroughly completed. And also provides a complete record of an association's registration allowing for quicker double-checks.

Seven hundred and eighty-four major roster changes (additions/deletions etc.) were received in 1998-99. We are pleased to report that the majority were received on the new Participant Change of Info form.

Recommendation for 1999-2000:

Local associations are asked to submit all of their team registrations, by the appropriate deadline, in one package (i.e All Competitive teams in one envelope by Oct 31st &/or all House League teams by Nov 15th in a single package).

Rationale: It creates confusion when an association with a dozen competitive teams submits a cheque for all teams in one mailing then relies on each of their teams to send the corresponding paperwork in 12 different packages. Rarely do the finances match the registration documentation. Separate mailings delay the processing of that association.

Finally, many thanks to the hardworking local registrars/team managers for your patience and assistance as we try to improve (and speed up) the registration process for everyone. Special thanks to Renate & Frances for your diligence and thoroughness with the 1998-99 OWA registration.

OWHA REGISTRATION – PLAYERS / DIVISIONS 1992-1999

TEAMS	1992/93	1993/94	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99
Competitive	246	308	372	411	435	449	539
House League	165	249	321	443	526	644	855
Total Teams	411	557	693	854	964	1093	1394

PLAYERS	1992/93	1993/94	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99
Senior	2485	2798	3122	3704	3880	4058	4295
Intermediate	446	524	594	939	1367	1615	1710
Midget	565	644	859	1138	1274	1500	1949
Bantam	569	819	1110	1326	1324	1859	2372
Peewee	898	1181	1580	2235	2380	2743	3378
Atom	798	1124	1371	1679	1687	2665	3091
Novice /Tyke	551	744	990	1270			
Novice					1373	1394	1955
Initiation Program					330	215	364
Total Players	6,333	7,848	9,626	12,296	13,635	16,049	19114

OWHA PLAYER & TEAM DISTRIBUTION

CATEGORY	PLAYERS						TEAMS					
COMPETITIVE	98/99	97/98	96/97	95/96	94/95	93/94	98/99	97/98	96/97	95/96	94/95	93/94
Senior AAA	83	88	119				5	5	7			
Senior AA	209	198	223	112	124	108	13	12	14	6	7	6
Senior A	467	460	526	210	203	252	30	29	34	13	13	16
Senior BB	263	182	200				17	12	13			
Senior B	275	204	151	503	489	475	18	12	9	33	33	31
Senior CC	147	199	209				10	13	13			
Senior C	337	318	343	356	360	305	26	22	22	22	23	20
Senior D				630	621	672				41	41	46
Intermediate AA	163	103					10	6				
Intermediate A	214	126	121	109	51	76	14	8	7	7	3	5
Intermediate BB *	n/a	n/a	187				n/a	n/a	12			
Intermediate B	135	198	n/a	49	76	53	10	12	—	3	5	3
Intermediate C	141	223	325	235	105	60	20	18	22	15	8	4
Midget AA	229	235					16	15				
Midget A	124	90	211	124	137	134	8	6	14	8	9	9
Midget BB	110	113	90				11	7	6			
Midget B	139	133	117	211	239	169	14	9	8	14	15	12
Midget C	159	196	263	221	206	111	10	13	19	15	14	8
Bantam AA	215	198					14	13				
Bantam A	207	119	312	218	151	118	15	8	21	14	10	8
Bantam BB	325	294	143				22	20	11			
Bantam B	267	138	188	227	194	212	18	9	13	15	13	15
Bantam C	323	355	285	470	335	163	22	25	21	32	23	11
Peewee AA	168	121					11	8				
Peewee A	379	174	236	201	162	152	25	11	16	13	11	10
Peewee BB	276	359	342				20	23	23			
Peewee B	342	307	189	366	335	185	24	20	13	24	22	13
Peewee C	311	319	356	533	503	349	23	22	25	37	35	24
Atom AA	121	158					8	11				
Atom A	180	116	214	151	118	122	11	7	14	10	8	8
Atom BB	213	125	197				14	8	13			
Atom B	245	248	110	266	225	198	16	16	8	18	15	14
Atom C	338	267	237	525	454	261	26	17	17	37	30	18
Novice A	108	98	109	83	100	78	7	7	8	6	7	5
Novice BB	100	93	74				10	7	5			
Novice B	100	120	148	185	142	147	7	8	11	13	10	10
Novice C	194	149	163	228	236	166	14	10	12	15	17	12
SUB TOTAL	7607	6824	6,388	6213	5566	4566	539	449	431	411	372	308
NON-COMPETITIVE	98/99	97/98	96/97	95/96	94/95	93/94	98/99	97/98	96/97	95/96	94/95	93/94
Senior Rec.	267	997	759	674	481	424	19	68	50	45	37	31
Senior HL	2247	1412	1370	1224	783	555	181	103	93	83	53	39
Intermediate HL	1057	965	734	546	377	334	73	65	52	38	28	27
Midget HL	1188	733	593	582	271	219	77	49	46	42	24	18
Bantam HL	1035	755	396	411	449	324	71	52	33	32	37	28
Peewee HL	1902	1463	1257	1135	565	483	155	107	96	84	50	38
Atom HL	1994	1751	929	737	565	542	146	120	77	59	49	40
Novice HL **	1453	934	879				102	64	70			
Novice/Tyke HL **				774	569	401				60	43	28
Initiation - HL **	364	215	330				31	16	17			
SUB TOTAL	11507	9225	7,247	6083	4060	3282	855	644	534	443	321	249
Grand Total	19114	16,049	13,635	12,296	9626	7848	1394	1,093	965	854	693	557

CATEGORIZATION

TIME FRAME	# of Teams moved (higher or lower)
Registration → Early January	38
January 8-9, 1999	122
January 10 → Season's end	19
Total Re-categorizations	179

INJURY REPORTS

Below are charts indicating the number of Canadian Hockey Association Injury Report forms &/or HDCO Injury Report surveys received at the OWHHA office in 1998-99.

1998-99 Reported Injuries – by Division

Division	Competitive	House League	Totals
Novice	0	0	0
Atom	5	4	9
Peewee	23	9	32
Bantam	19	4	23
Midget	15	10	25
Intermediate	8	3	11
Senior	28	7	35
TOTALS	98	30	128

INJURY	QTY	INJURY	QTY
Abdominal	1	Tailbone	2
Arm	1	Thumb	2
Back/Sternum	1	Arms/Head	3
Broke Wrist	1	Collar Bone	3
Hamstring	1	Elbow	3
Hand	1	Ankle	5
Hip	1	Head/Neck	5
Hip/Neck	1	Leg	5
Lower Leg	1	Ribs/Chest	5
Ribs	1	Wrist	6
Stomach	1	Back	7
Thigh	1	Knee	14
Thumb/Wrist	1	Head	15
Upper Arm	1	Shoulder	16
Face/Mouth	2	Back/Neck	19
Finger	2	Leg/Foot	20
Neck	2		

NEW MEMBERSHIP

The OWHA implemented a new process this year as a result of decisions made at last year's Annual General Meeting. A procedure was developed for new teams to apply for membership within the OWHA. A process was established for review of all applications. Input from existing members was a very important step in the exploration of the applications.

Over the past year, we have received 88 different inquiries requesting information on how to register a new team with the OWHA. New Membership applications were sent to all interested individuals. Thirty-nine applications were completed and returned. Thirty-three received approval and six applications were denied. The 33 approved programs represent a total of 80 new teams. The 88 inquiries represent at least four times the number we have experienced in any previous season. The exposure the sport gained through the 1998 Olympics was the catalyst for this remarkable interest level. Welcome to all new member teams.

	Region	CENTRE	CONTACT		Region	CENTRE	CONTACT
1	CE	AJAX PEEWEE (INDEPENDENT TEAM)	J. RUDDY	45	E	NAPANEE GIRLS HOCKEY	C. NUGENT
2	CE	AJAX	D. PEROFF	46	E	NAPANEE SENIOR LADIES	C. LAPANSEE
3	E	AKWASASNE	L. MORRIS	47	CE	NEWCASTLE	A. FATTORI
4	CW	ANCASTER	T. TOLLIS	48	N	NEW LISKEARD GH	L. TURCOTTE
5	E	ARNPRIOR	J. REID	49	M	NEWTONBROOK W.H.C.	C. BRISTOW
6	CE	AURORA SR (INDEPENDENT TEAM)	B. JAMES	50	C	OAKVILLE	S. DUNSLOW
7	M	BEDFORDS (NORTH YORK)	L. MITCHELL	51	C	OAKVILLE WOMEN'S TEAM	M. HAGEY
8	W	BELLE RIVER (LAKESHORE)	M. PINSONNEAULT	52	E	OTTAWA - MINTO ARENA	P. WARNER
9	CE	BELLEVILLE	B. TROST	53	E	OTTAWA - CARLETON UNIV.	W. BAIRD
10	C	BRAMPTON COUGARS	E. ZADOR	54	E	OTTAWA, UNIVERSITY OF	N. CHOUINARD
11	C	BRAMPTON COUGARS	E. ZADOR / R. ALCORN	55	E	OTTAWA VALLEY DWHA	S. SAMSON
12	C	BRAMPTON LIGHTNING WHL	K. RICHARDSON	56	E	PETAWAWA	GERRI
13	C	BRAMPTON SENIOR AAA	S. FENNELL	57	W	PLATTSVILLE	L. MURRAY
14	CW	BROCK UNIVERSITY	S. WILLIAMS & T. ERSKINE	58	N	RED LAKE	B. ANDERSON
15	C	CALEDON	G. DOBBIE	59	M	SCARBOROUGH	H. HOOVER
16	CW	CALEDONIA	R. POZZO	60	E	SHEFFIELD CAMDEN	G. MURPHY
17	C	CENTRAL REGION	T. MACKAY	61	CW	SOUTHERN COUNTIES GHL	G. McLACHLAN
18	C/M	CENTRAL REGION	R. ALCORN	62	W	SOUTH POINT (LEAMINGTON)	J. BOWMAN
19	CE	COLD CREEK	R. & E. PAYETTE	63	N	ST. CHARLES	L. VAN BEEK
20	C	CREEMORE (CLEARVIEW)	G. GODOVITZ	64	CW	ST GEORGE	L. MORRIS
21	N	DUBREUILVILLE	A. RIOUX	65	N	STURGEON FALLS	M. SHANK
22	N	DUBREUILVILLE	N. LACROIX	66	N	SUDBURY SR B	L. WEBSTER
23	CW	DUNDAS	B. PAUL	67	N	SUDBURY SR REC	L. NOEL
24	N	EAR FALLS	A. LAJEUNESSE	68	M	SWANSEA GH	G. BOX
25	C	EAST Gwillimbury	G. LAWSON	69	W	THAMESFORD	S. ATTHILL
26	W	ELGIN-MIDDLESEX	R. SULLIVAN/ T. WILSON	70	W	TILLSONBURG	R. VANDERKERCKNOVE
27	W	EMBRO	R. PIETT	71	N	TIMMINS GIRLS PROGRAM	B. TORRESAN
28	M	FOREST HILL / NORTH TORONTO	J. HERMAN	72	N	TIMMINS SR C (ICE CATS)	D. MacDOUGALL
29	CW	FORT ERIE	C. ABRAHAM	73	M	TORONTO (from Newtonbrook)	L. DEMPSTER
30	CE	GEORGINA GH (KESWICK)	S. EASBY	74	M	TORONTO	K. DECKER
31	E	GOULBURNE, TOWNSHIP OF	S. DEMARCO	75	M	TORONTO	S. LUSK
32	CW	GUELPH - MIDGET A	M. STEVENS	76	M	TORONTO FILLIES (COLTS)	N. MANZO
33	CW	HAGERSVILLE	R. SPIES	77	M	TORONTO AVALANCHE	C. HARPER-KUIPERS
34	C	HUMPHREY	L. STONEMAN	78	M	TORONTO NORDIQUES	P. THYRRING
35	N	KAPUSKASING JAGUARS	M. BOURGEAULT	79	M	TRUE NORTH HOCKEY (ETOBICOKE)	M. FELTMATE
36	W	KINGSVILLE (ERIE SHORES)	G. SAMPSON	80	CE	UXBRIDGE	B. CRUZ
37	W	LEAMINGTON	R. FELTZ	81	N	VALLEY EAST (SUDBURY)	H. PELLOW
38	CE	LINDSAY	T. WEAVER	82	CE	VAUGHAN PANTHERS	K. CARADONNA
39	N	LITTLE CURRENT (MANITOULIN IS.)	I. WILKIN	83	CW	WATERLOO	B. MOORE
40	CE	MADOC	K. LEE	84	N	WAWA	D. TROVARELLO
41	C	MILTON	E. VINCE	85	N	WHITE RIVER	T. PYE
42	C	MISSISSAUGA REPS MH	P. SMITH	86	E	WINCHESTER	J. SACHS
43	C	MISSISSAUGA W.H. DEV. PROG.	P. ELLIS	87	W	WINDSOR RUSH	V. POMAJBA
44	W	MOUNT BRYDGES	W. FLEGEL	88	W	WINDSOR WINGS	G. BOWDEN

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

INITIATION PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES WERE:

- to have the CHA Initiation curriculum in all OWHA associations/league Constitution and by-laws
- to change the name of the CHA Initiation program for the OWHA to the Hockey FUNdamental Program to make it more user friendly
- to have the CHA IP program implemented, in place and running in all OWHA associations/leagues by September, 2001
- to establish a data base for this program
- to work together to establish and maintain very strong and functional teacher/coach development programs
- to establish a good communication and working relationship with other minor hockey branches
- to access and establish a good working relationship with individuals who are very knowledgeable of the CHA Initiation Program

These objectives will be reached by:

- Education: presentations to coaching staff, parent/guardians and sponsors upon request, bringing National players on board, having Development Co-ordinators for each association who would attend a special workshop, develop a skills/drills manual and a technical manual, have a pilot project with one association, develop a Skills Breakdown video.
- Implementation: have certification clinics for instructors, Course Conductors, Master Course Conductors and Trainers, have re-certification clinics for Instructors, Course Conductors and Master Course Conductors, have mini clinics for uncertified on-ice staff.
- Communication: follow the lines of communication as set by the OWHA, work with the CHA, establish and maintain an IP data base, access information from the Internet
- Promotion: bring National players on board, have IP demonstration mandatory at all OWHA Provincial and/or National events, find a major sponsor, have brochures and posters specific to OWHA, work towards getting exposure at the Hockey Hall of Fame and the Air Canada Centre.

COACHING PROGRAMME

OBJECTIVES WERE:

- recruitment and training of coaches
- creation and distribution of materials and programs designed to encourage more female coaches at recreational and high performance levels
- establish a system for evaluation and ranking of potential high performance coaches
- oversee the maintenance of the OWHA coaches data base
- oversee the creation and maintenance of a data base of evaluators
- coordinate the training of evaluators
- coordinate communication with coaches
- responsible for specialty clinics/seminars
- work to establish and maintain very strong and functional teach/coach development programs

These objectives will be reached by:

- working closely with local associations throughout Ontario to receive input and support through each association having their own Development Coordinator
- providing certification clinics for Coaches, Instructors, Evaluators and Course Conductors
- have a questionnaire prepared for General Meeting for input from associations – this was completed, but unfortunately the response was poor, but will be tried again this year

TRAINER'S PROGRAMME

OBJECTIVES WERE:

- provide certification clinics for Trainers, Instructors and Course Conductors
- increase the base of qualified trainers to match the growing number of female hockey participants
- to develop and provide resources to educate course conductors and increase the availability of resource people and instructors in Ontario
- assess needs specific to OWHHA trainer's program
- update data base and tracking system for trainers and instructors
- develop an assessment tool to monitor the effectiveness of the program
- develop a teaching manual and materials specific to OWHHA trainer's program
- develop a carding system for tracking trainers and instructors

These objectives will be reached by:

- working closely with local associations throughout Ontario for input and support
- provide certification clinics for trainers, instructors and course conductors

REFEREE PROGRAMME

The OWHHA referee program is experiencing major growth, with a current registration of approximately 500 officials and with that comes the need to change and move forward. Issues that are not always easy were addressed and we will continue to work together in a positive and constructive manner to improve and become even better. We ask you kindly remember that every official on the ice is someone's daughter or son and they should be treated with the same respect that you would like your mom, dad, sister, brother and child to have!

The OWHHA continues to review and update the structure within our officials program to ensure continued development and growth. Two alternate Referee-in-Chiefs were named this past season to assist with the continued increase in referee registrations, which included a number of new, young officials joining the program. To coordinate the supervision of OWHHA officials we increased our number of supervisors from fourteen to twenty-three and hope to add a minimum of ten supervisors next season to ensure that all our officials receive a minimum of two supervisions. Each Supervisor was assigned officials to supervise and 418 supervisions were completed this past season, which is a large increase over last season, but we can do better!

The Referee Committee recommended supervisors and instructors, coordinated supervision of officials, coordinated the training of supervisors and instructors, recommended officials for advancement in the CHOP, maintained lists of officials with their recommended categories, prepared lists for national and international assignments, recommended fee structure for Provincial Championships, coordinated the communication system with OWHHA officials, reviewed, investigated and responded to correspondence dealing with officials and preparing job descriptions.

Officials were identified and selected to officiate at provincial championships. The OWHHA recommended officials for the Canada Winter Games, Central Canadian Championship, Esso Senior Nationals, CIAU Championship, Canada Winter Games/Team Ontario exhibition games and international exhibition games. We are very pleased and proud to report that the majority of our officials were selected and they continued the tradition of their predecessors as the best in the world!

Supervisors and instructors for the new season will soon be selected and summer clinics dates set. There is also a National Master Course Instructor's Seminar being held in July and the OWHHA will be sending representatives.

The Referee Committee met on a regular basis throughout the season, with the first meeting held in August. Committee members were Doug Nicholls, Betty Solomon, Kathy Dyer, Rick Morphey, Ivan Locke, Laurie Taylor-Bolton and Suzanne Essex. Marina Zenk and Sue Cassidy were originally on the committee, but were unable to continue and with our regret, we accepted their resignations.

1998-99 OWSA CERTIFICATION CLINICS

The following charts detail certification clinics requested by the OWSA membership or targeted as potential clinic sites during the past 1998-99 season.

CANADIAN HOCKEY OFFICIATING PROGRAM (CHOP)

DATE	LOCATION	LEVEL
September 12	Peterborough	Jr. & Sr.
September 12	Stoney Creek	Jr. & Sr.
September 13	<i>Toronto/Etobicoke</i>	Jr. & Sr.
September 13	<i>Whitby</i>	Jr. & Sr.
September 19	<i>Toronto/Leaside</i>	Jr. & Sr.
September 19	Barrie	Jr. & Sr.
September 19	<i>Ottawa</i>	Jr. & Sr.
September 20	<i>Orangeville</i>	Jr. & Sr.
September 26	<i>London</i>	Jr. & Sr.
September 26	Mississauga	Jr. & Sr.
October 3	Windsor	Jr. & Sr.
October 4	<i>Sarnia</i>	Jr. & Sr.
October 19/20	Oakville	Jr. & Sr.
October 19/20	<i>Aurora</i>	Jr. & Sr.
October 24	Hamilton	Jr. & Sr.
November 7	Cambridge	Jr. & Sr.
TBA	W.O.A.A.	Jr. & Sr.
TBA	Thunder Bay	Jr. & Sr.
TBA	Sudbury	Jr. & Sr.

NATIONAL COACHING CERTIFICATION PROGRAM (NCCP)

DATE	LOCATION	LEVEL
August 22, 23	Woodstock	Coach
September 12, 13	Orangeville	Coach
September 12, 13, 20	Orangeville	Intermediate
September 12, 13	Whitby	Coach
September 19, 20	Oshawa	Coach
September 26, 27	Durham West	Coach
September 26, 27	Barrie	Coach
Sept 26, 27, Oct 3	Niagara Falls	Intermediate
October 3, 4	Etobicoke	Coach
October 3, 4	London	Coach
Oct 20, 27 Nov 3, 10	Stoney Creek	Coach
November 11, 12, 15	Oakville	Coach
November 21-22	Lake of the Woods (Kenora)	Coach
February 3, 10, 17, 24	Dryden	Coach
June 12, 19, 20	Niagara Falls	Intermediate

CANADIAN HOCKEY INITIATION PROGRAM (IP)

DATE	LOCATION	LEVEL
October 4	Orangeville	Instructor
Oct 31	Nepean	Instructor

HOCKEY TRAINER'S CERTIFICATION PROGRAM (HTCP)

DATE	LOCATION	LEVEL
September 26	Durham West	I
September 26	Aurora	I
September 27	Scarborough	I
October 3	Cornwall	I
October 3	Thunder Bay	I
October 4	Orangeville	I
October 10	North York	I
October 18	Whitby	I
October 24	London	I
November 2 & 3	Oakville	I
November 7	Sarnia	I
November 28	Hamilton	I
November 28	Ottawa	I
November 29	Oshawa	I
December 9-10	Cambridge	I
April 10	Mississauga	1

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1999 OWSA PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONS

Division	Category	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Senior	AAA	Beatrice Aeros	Mississauga Chiefs	Brampton Thunder
Senior	AA	Newtonbrook	Burlington	Peterborough
Senior	A	St. Catharines	Lambton	Timmins
Senior	BB	Toronto Raiders	Toronto Red Zone	Kitchener
Senior	B	Algoma	Oshawa	Cobourg
Senior	CC	Kingsville	Burlington	White River-Wawa
Senior	C	Kingston	Parry Sound	London
Intermediate	AA	London	Peel	Beatrice Aeros
Intermediate	A	Brampton	Cambridge	Kingston
Intermediate	B	Mitchell	Windsor	Port Elgin
Intermediate	C	Sarnia	Warkworth	Hamilton
Midget	AA	Lady Marlies	Ottawa	Cornwall
Midget	A	Saugeen Maitland	Algoma	Orillia
Midget	BB	Windsor	Belleville	Napanee
Midget	B	Whitby	Frontenac	Peterborough
Midget	C	Kingston	Cobourg	Niagara Falls
Bantam	AA	Ottawa NCCP #1	Mississauga	Burlington
Bantam	A	Chatham	Cornwall	Orangeville
Bantam	BB	Leaside	London	Mississauga
Bantam	B	Thunder Bay	Sault Ste Marie	Sarnia
Bantam	C	Kapuskasing	Flamborough	Port Hope
Pewee	AA	Ottawa	Sudbury	Willowdale
Pewee	A	Belleville	Oshawa	Kingston
Pewee	BB	Thunder Bay	Rideau St Lawrence	Bluewater
Pewee	B	Walkerton	Sarnia	Cold Creek
Pewee	C	Belmont	Halton Hills	Windsor
Atom	AA	London	Mississauga	Brampton
Atom	A	Burlington	Bluewater	Windsor
Atom	BB	Barrie	Orangeville	Chatham
Atom	B	Sault Ste Marie	Durham West	Thunder Bay
Atom	C	Sarnia	Clearview	North Bay
Novice	A	Durham West	London	Mississauga
Novice	BB	Stouffville	Etobicoke	Leaside
Novice	B	Chatham	Sarnia	Oshawa
Novice	C	Lindsay	Orangeville	Cambridge



CANADA WINTER GAMES



- The 1999 Canada Winter Games was a valuable event for female hockey
- Participants were treated to tremendous hospitality in Cornerbrook. The Ontario Women's Hockey Association sincerely thanks and congratulates the many volunteers for their kind hospitality.
- The women's hockey was very well received. All teams again brought strength and credibility to the game of hockey – having a great time and improving future opportunities.
- Team Ontario was selected from over 640 players who participated in ten province-wide evaluation camps. Eighty-two participants were invited to a camp held at Appleby College in Oakville, the first of two invitational selection camps. The final selection camp was held at Teen Ranch in Caledon with 36 players in attendance. Beatrice Parmalat sponsored the final preparation camp at the Beatrice Ice Gardens.
- We are pleased with the gold medal performance of the players and coaches Bill Bowker, Angela James, Jean Vaillencourt, Manager Pat Nicholls. We were even more impressed with the focus the players put on positive values in hockey.
- Our women's hockey team won the provincial banner contest and the honour of leading all the Ontario athletes into the closing ceremonies. Their focus was teamwork and the OWHA VALUES.
- Judging from the talent and enthusiasm on all teams, Canada's future looks very promising!

Team Ontario 1999

Rachel Barrie	Goaltender	Arnprior
Katie Germain	Goaltender	Sarnia
Victoria Blow	Defense	Guelph
Allison Edgar	Defense	Brigden
Louise Pietrangelo	Defense	Port Robinson
Jennifer Skinner	Defense	Markham
Leanne Tunks	Defense	St. Mary's
Cassandra Turner	Defense	Campbellford
Nicole Corriero	Forward	Woodbridge
Karen Droog	Forward	Listowel
Cori Forbes	Forward	Sarnia
Val Hall	Forward	Niagara Falls
Meghan Hunter	Forward	Oil Springs
Heather Logan	Forward	Napanee
Michelle Lorion	Forward	Mississauga
Britney Millar	Forward	Brampton
Cheryl Muranko	Forward	Cambridge
Tracy Palinsky	Forward	Port Elgin
Lara Perks	Forward	Trenton
Cherie Piper	Forward	Scarborough

Coaching Staff

Bill Bowker	Head Coach	Carleton Place
Angela James	Assistant Coach	Etobicoke
Jean Vaillancourt	Assistant Coach	Ottawa
Pat Nicholls	Manager	Brampton

Congratulations from all members of the OWHA to the players and coaches on a successful 1999 Canada Winter Games.

1999 Canada Winter Games - Game Results

Ontario	13	PEI	0	
Quebec	3	Saskatchewan	2	
Newfoundland	5	New Brunswick	0	
Alberta	4	Nova Scotia	0	
Saskatchewan	14	New Brunswick	0	
Manitoba	10	PEI	0	
Ontario	5	Alberta	0	
Quebec	2	British Columbia	1	Round Robin
Nova Scotia	2	Manitoba	1	Round Robin
British Columbia	3	New Brunswick	1	Round Robin
Alberta	8	PEI	0	Round Robin
Saskatchewan	5	Newfoundland	3	Round Robin
Ontario	11	Nova Scotia	1	Round Robin
British Columbia	6	Newfoundland	2	Round Robin
Manitoba	2	Alberta	2	Round Robin
Quebec	4	New Brunswick	1	Round Robin
Nova Scotia	4	PEI	3	Round Robin
Ontario	10	Manitoba	2	Round Robin
Saskatchewan	2	British Columbia	1	Round Robin
Quebec	2	Newfoundland	1	Round Robin
Quebec	3	Alberta	1	Semi Final
Ontario	5	Saskatchewan	0	Semi Final
PEI	4	New Brunswick	0	Seeding
Manitoba	5	Newfoundland	3	Seeding
Ontario	3	Quebec	1	Gold/Silver

TEAM ONTARIO 1999 CANADA WINTER GAMES CHAMPIONS



ESSO SENIOR NATIONALS

- March 25-28, 1999 at the Hershey Centre in Mississauga, Ontario

The Mississauga Girls Hockey League teamed up with the Ontario Women's Hockey Association to host the 1999 championship. Once again, the players demonstrated their excellence both on and off the ice. Fans were thoroughly entertained to excellent hockey games.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Welcoming reception hosted by Mayor McCallion and the City of Mississauga – a very positive opportunity for participants to renew friendships
- Games played at the brand new Hershey Centre in Mississauga
- Transportation supplied by Mississauga Transit
- A medical support team that provided emergency care and specialized treatment
- The first presentation of Esso's Isobel Gathorne-Hardy Award
- The Esso schools programme is one of the best happenings in hockey!
- Referees received cheers from the students
- Parents of players were signing autographs
- The Business Depot puck (sponge) toss was a great "hit"
- Silent auction items are always popular and a great support to the budget
- The guest coach, guest officials and guest trainers programmes are the highlights of many participants seasons
- The Experience a Dream program continues to demonstrate the very positive ties between high performance hockey and grass roots participation
- TSN coverage of the championship games continues to have a very positive impact on the development of female hockey.

Scores and Standings

Game #	Pool	Team		Team	
1	A	Alberta	11	Prince Edward Island	1
2	A	Quebec	4	Saskatchewan	0
3	B	Ontario	12	Manitoba	0
4	B	New Brunswick	2	British Columbia	2
5	A	Prince Edward Island	3	Saskatchewan	2
6	A	Quebec	5	Alberta	2
7	B	British Columbia	5	Manitoba	0
8	B	Ontario	9	New Brunswick	1
9	A	Quebec	11	Prince Edward Island	1
10	A	Alberta	4	Saskatchewan	1
11	B	New Brunswick	6	Manitoba	1
12	B	Ontario	7	British Columbia	0
13	Quarter Final	Alberta	2	British Columbia	1
14	Quarter Final	New Brunswick	3	Prince Edward Island	2
15	Qualifying	Saskatchewan	7	Manitoba	0
16	Qualifying	British Columbia	3	Prince Edward Island	2
17	Semi Final	Alberta	2	Ontario	1
18	Semi Final	Quebec	10	New Brunswick	0
19	Bronze	Ontario	11	New Brunswick	0
20	Gold/Silver	Quebec	4	Alberta	2

1999 Esso Women's National Hockey Championship Awards

AWARD	PLAYER	TEAM
Most Sportsmanlike Player <i>(voted upon by respective teams)</i>	ANDREA BLAKELEY	Alberta
	KAREN MAH	B.C.
	CHRISTINA BARRY	Manitoba
	LYNE LANDRY	New Brunswick
	LARA PERKS	Ontario
	BRENDA HEMPHILL	PEI
	NATHALIE DÉRY	Quebec
	BRANDY WEST	Saskatchewan
Most Valuable Defence	GERALDINE HEANEY	Ontario
Most Valuable Forward	CAROLINE OUELLETTE	Quebec
Most Valuable Goaltender	LAURA PARADIS	Saskatchewan
Mickey Walker Most Sportsmanlike Player	BRENDA HEMPHILL	PEI
Canon K Richardson	TEAM QUEBEC	Quebec
Most Sportsmanlike Team		
Most Valuable Player	HAYLEY WICKENHEISER	Alberta

Sincere thanks to the Mississauga Girls Hockey League and the many volunteers who worked to make this event a success.



CENTRAL CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP - QUEBEC / ONTARIO CUP

The Ontario Women's Hockey Association teamed up with the Ottawa District Women's Hockey Association to host the Central Canadian Championships at the Jim Durrell Recreation Centre in Ottawa from April 23rd – 25th, 1999. This was the second year for the Championships, with the inaugural event held in Quebec in April 1998.

This championship brought a total of 12 senior level teams, 6 from Quebec and 6 from Ontario. The teams participating in the competition qualified through their respective Provincial Championships.

Some of the SENIOR AAA teams coming, from either province, have Canadian and/or American National Team players on them. This was a great opportunity for players of all ages to watch some of their idols play. It also gave people an idea of how competitive the Senior level of play is within the provinces. The two teams representing Ontario at the Senior A level had to persevere through multiple levels of overtime at the Provincials to qualify.

TIER ONE

Wingstars de Bonaventure	6	Mississauga	2
Brampton	5	Jofa-Titan	2
Brampton	6	Wingstars de Bonaventure	2
Wingstars de Bonaventure	4	Jofa-Titan	1
Brampton	2	Mississauga	1
Mississauga (BRONZE)	2	Jofa-Titan	0
Brampton (GOLD)	5	Wingstars de Bonaventure (SILVER)	2

TIER TWO

Newtonbrook	4	Shack Café Axion	2
Les Globules	4	Burlington	1
Burlington	3	Shack Café Axion	1
Newtonbrook	5	Les Globules	1
Newtonbrook	6	Burlington	2
Shack Café Axion	3	Les Globules	0
Les Globules (BRONZE)	5	Burlington	2
Newtonbrook (GOLD)	5	Shack Café Axion (SILVER)	4

TIER THREE

St. Catharines	6	Le Place Saturn	0
Lambton	5	Beaver	4
Lambton	4	St. Catharines	3
Beaver	6	Le Place Saturn	1
Lambton	2	Le Place Saturn	1
Beaver	3	St. Catharines	3
Beaver (BRONZE)	2	Le Place Saturn	0
Lambton (GOLD)	4	St. Catharines (SILVER)	2

Everything went smoothly throughout the Championships. Most teams indicated, at some point during the weekend, that they had a good time and enjoyed the championship. The 1999/2000 Championship will be hosted by Hockey Quebec!

TOURNAMENTS

A total of 110 tournaments were sanctioned for the 98/99 season. This represents a 10% increase over last season.



**ONTARIO WOMEN'S HOCKEY
ASSOCIATION**

OWHA Sanctioned COMPETITIVE Tournament - Locations

❖ ALGOMA (Sault Ste Marie)	❖ KANATA	❖ PICTON
❖ BARRIE	❖ KEMPTVILLE	❖ PORT ELGIN
❖ BELLEVILLE	❖ KINGSTON	❖ PORT HOPE
❖ BRAMPTON CANADETTES	❖ KITCHENER	❖ SARNIA
❖ BRAMPTON COUGARS	❖ LAKE OF THE WOODS	❖ SAULT STE MARIE (SRHA)
❖ BRANTFORD	❖ LEASIDE	❖ SCARBOROUGH
❖ BROCKVILLE	❖ LONDON	❖ SCHREIBER
❖ BURLINGTON	❖ MANITOUWADGE	❖ SILVER STICK – SARNIA
❖ CAMBRIDGE	❖ MISSISSAUGA	❖ SIMCOE
❖ CHATHAM	❖ MONTREAL CUP	❖ STONEY CREEK
❖ CLARINGTON	❖ NEPEAN	❖ STOUFFVILLE
❖ CLEARVIEW	❖ NEWTONBROOK	❖ STRATFORD
❖ COBOURG	❖ NIAGARA FALLS	❖ SUDBURY
❖ COCHRANE	❖ NIPIGON	❖ THUNDER BAY
❖ COLD CREEK	❖ NORTH YORK	❖ TORONTO
❖ CORNWALL	❖ OAKVILLE	❖ VAUGHAN
❖ DURHAM WEST	❖ ORANGEVILLE	❖ WALLACEBURG
❖ EMBRUN	❖ ORILLIA	❖ WARKWORTH
❖ GLOUCESTER	❖ OSGOODE RIDEAU	❖ WAWA
❖ GRAFTON	❖ OTTAWA NCCP	❖ WHITBY
❖ GUELPH UNIVERSITY	❖ PARKHILL	❖ WILLOWDALE
❖ HAMILTON GHA	❖ PARRY SOUND	❖ WINDSOR
❖ HAWKESBURY	❖ PETERBOROUGH	❖ WOODSTOCK
❖ HUNTSVILLE	❖ PETERBOROUGH	❖ WOOLWICH

OWHA Sanctioned HOUSE LEAGUE Tournaments - Locations

AKWESASNE
BRAMPTON COUGARS
BROCKVILLE
BURLINGTON
CHATHAM
CORNWALL
DRYDEN
DURHAM WEST
EMBRUN
FLAMBOROUGH
FOREST
GLOUCESTER
GODERICH
HAGERSVILLE
HAMILTON WHL
KANATA
KEMPTVILLE
LAKE OF THE WOODS
LAMBETH
LUCAN
NEPEAN
NEWTONBROOK
OAKVILLE
ORILLIA
OSGOODE RIDEAU
OSHAWA
PARKHILL
PETERBOROUGH
RUSSELL
SMOOTH ROCK FALLS
STONEY CREEK
SUDBURY
THUNDER BAY
TORONTO
WINDSOR
WOODSTOCK

SANCTION REQUESTS

A Total of 1261 sanctions were requested with 62 being denied.

- 363 requested to play U.S.A. teams
- 48 requests to play in boy's tournaments
- 10 requests to play in men's tournaments
- 21 requests to play parent / daughter games
- 819 requests to play exhibition games against male teams

DISCIPLINE REPORT

1998-99 SUMMARY

SUSPENSION	C. EAST	C. WEST	METRO.	CENT.	EAST	WEST	NORTH	TOTAL
Misconduct (M)			3		1	2	6	6
Misconduct in 3 Period			1		14		15	15
Game Misconduct (GM)	4	4	5	5	7	4	29	29
Body Check (5)				1			1	2
Elbowing (Match)					1			1
Major-Last 5 min. game					1			1
Abusive Language (M/GM 21)	19	19	18	16	3	20	5	100
Inciting (M 22)		1		1				2
Verbal Abuse (GM 23)	3	3	2		5	2		15
Threatening Official (MP 24)	1				2			3
Molesting Official (GM 25)			1	1				2
2 nd Misconduct in Game (GM 26)		2	1		1	1		5
2 nd Major in Game (GM 27)			2					2
Spitting (MP 29)		1						1
Fighting (GM 30)	4	18	7	11	3	10	1	54
Third Man In (GM 32)		1		4		1		6
Instigator (36)		1		1	1	1		4
Aggressor (37)		5	1					6
Intent to Injure (MP 40)	1	1	3		1	1	2	9
Deliberate Injury (MP 41)							1	1
Kicking (GM 45)	5	2	1	2	1	3	1	1
Spearing (MP 46)				1			1	2
CFB (Min) (GM 50)	10	18	15	13	15	10	1	82
CFB (Major) (GM 51)		8	7	1	5	5	2	28
CFB (MP 52)			1			1		2
High Stick (GM 53)	2		1			1	1	5
Cross Check (Major) (GM 54)	2	1	4		1	1	1	10
Slashing (GM 55)			1	1		2	1	5
Game Ejection (56)					3	1		4
Travesty of Game (GRM 60)	4	2	3	3		1		13
Obscene Gestures (GRM 61)	1		4					5
Discriminatory Slurs (GRM 63)	2		3	2				7
Miscellaneous (99)	9	2	1	1	7	2		22
TOTAL	67	89	85	64	72	69	18	464

Discipline Synopsis

1. Of all the suspensions, Abusive Language and Abuse of Officials (including threatening an official and molesting an official) was the worst with 25% or 118 of the 464 suspensions. This was fairly evenly handed out amongst 5 of the 7 regions. The worst offender was the Central East Region with 20% or 23 of the 118 suspensions, followed very closely by both the Central West and the Western Regions, both of which received 19% or 22 suspensions of this type. Metro Toronto followed with 17% or 20 suspensions and the Central Region had 14% or 16 suspensions. The 2 least penalized in this area were the Eastern Region with 8% or 10 suspensions and the Northern Region with 4% or 5 suspensions.
2. Checking from Behind was the second highest with 24% or 112 of the 464 suspensions. The highest penalized team for this offence was Central West with 23% or 26 suspensions. Close behind was Metro Toronto with 21% or 23 suspensions and the Eastern Region with 18% or 20 suspensions. The Western Region received 14% (16), Central Region had 13% (14), Central East received 9% (10) and the lowest was the Northern Region with 3 or 3%.

3. Aggression related suspensions represented more than 1/4 or 28% of the infractions (130 of the 464). The suspensions in this category are:

Inciting	2	Deliberate Injury	1
Fighting	54	Kicking	15
3rd Man In	6	Major High Stick	5
Instigator	4	Major Crosscheck	10
Aggressor	6	Major Slashing	5
Intent to injure	9	Travesty of Game	13

The Central West Region has received 32 of these 130 suspensions or 25%. The Central Region followed behind with 18% or 23 suspensions. Both the Metro Toronto and Western Regions had 21 or 16% and the Central East Region had 14% or 18 of these types of suspensions. The 2 least penalized regions in this category are the Northern Region with 6% or 8, followed by the Eastern Region with 5% or 7 suspensions.

4. Except for the Northern Region, who only received 18 suspensions of the 464 or 4%, all suspensions were fairly evenly handed out amongst the regions. The Central West Region had the highest number with 89 or 19% followed closely by Metro Toronto Region with 85 or 18%, then the Eastern Region with 72 or 16%, the Western Region with 69 or 15%, the Central East Region with 67 or 14%, and finally the Central Region with 64 or 14

CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

Many activities run by local teams/associations require a certificate of liability coverage from the insurance carrier for the Canadian Hockey Association. We receive "Certificate of Insurance" requests from municipalities, private facilities, shopping malls, etc.

Requests for Certificate of Insurance	
1997-98	21
1998-99	32

PLAYER TRANSFERS

Inter-Branch Transfers

To Alberta	5
To Nova Scotia	1

USA Transfers

From - USA	4
To USA	1

International Transfers

From Japan	2
To Germany	1
To Switzerland	3

GENERAL NOTES

- In the fall of 1998, OWHHA President, Sue Rawson resigned for personal reasons. Sue was a member of the OWHHA Executive Committee for six years serving in the capacities of Eastern Regional Director, Vice President of Development, Vice President, and President. The OWHHA Board of Directors was disappointed to see Sue leave, but understood her situation. Options were reviewed with the decision to maximize efficiency for the remainder of the season. Specific duties were shared by various individuals with Fran Rider assuming the responsibility of President until the end of the 1998-99 season.
- Congratulations to long-time Brantford President Tracy Duke, on her centre ice marriage to Dave Stevens. The Minister was appropriately attired as a referee!?!
- Congratulations 1998 Scholarship recipient Andrea Druhar, an OWHHA player from Thunder Bay, who received a \$1000 bursary towards her post-secondary education expenses.
- The 1999/2000 Ontario Winter Games will be held in Sault Ste. Marie. Currently, we are planning this event as the OWHHA midget AA provincial championship.

The Ontario Women's Hockey Association lost many special friends over the past season.

- Penny Meitz, Brockville – March 23, 1957 to September 28, 1998.
Over the years, Penny was a star goaltender with Burlington Senior Team. Most recently, she attended the September 27th OWHHA AGM as an enthusiastic volunteer and player with Brockville. Tragically, the day after the meeting, Penny was killed in a cycling accident.
- Doug Sanderson, Burlington – November 27, 1932 to October 20, 1998
Doug was a dedicated coach and volunteer. As coach of Burlington and Hamilton senior teams, Doug worked with many of Canada's top female players. He stressed positive values to hundreds of players, coaches and administrators and has left a very positive legacy for the future of hockey.
- Cassie Williams, Stratford – March 23, 1980 to October 21, 1998
The OWHHA truly salutes Cassie Williams who passed away at the age of 18 after a valiant, year-long battle with cancer. Cassie enjoyed sports and played for Stratford Girls Hockey when her medical problems began. She loved her teammates and her friends, giving them strength that has left an everlasting impact on their lives. Her message was clear – enjoy life and care about people.
- Connor Taylor-Bolton – in his mother's 9th month of pregnancy
The support of our OWHHA referees and members is with Laurie Taylor-Bolton, our assistant referee-in-chief and her husband Kerry as they move on following the unexpected loss of their unborn child, Connor. Laurie and Kerry treasure the time they had to share love and joy with their developing child.
- Bill Condon – Frontenac GHA – January 1999 – Bill joined the Frontenac GHA in 1995 and volunteered as trainer for a peewee house league team and an atom house league teams. This past season Bill was the coach of his daughter Jenna's Frontenac Flyer atom girls house league team.
- Kathy Sanders – Dryden Midget House League - As a result of an automobile accident in March 1999. Kathy was in her first year of OWHHA hockey at the age of sixteen. Danielle Kruger of the Dryden GHA remembers Kathy as a very special young woman and a great team player.

The thoughts and prayers of the OWHHA are with the families and friends of Penny, Cassie, Doug, Connor, Bill, Kathy and those other special people who passed away during the season. Their spirit lives on in all those who knew them.

CANADIAN HOCKEY ASSOCIATION REPORT

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Esso National Championship 1999/2001 to be in Sydney, Nova Scotia
- Esso National Championship 2001/2002 to be in Summerside, Prince Edward Island
- There are plans for a National Under 18 tournament in February 2001, site to be determined
- There are plans for a National Under 22 tournament in December/January 2002
- There are plans for a World Women's youth championship at some time in the near future
- USA Hockey is proposing the use of a light puck (5-5.5ounce) for female hockey. The CHA will be researching this.
- The CHA's Risk and Safety Management Committee will be to more clearly understand what activities are sanctioned throughout the country. Some areas of concern include summer hockey, hockey schools, adult recreation hockey, referee doing non member games, fundraisers, parent/child games, NHL players practicing with junior teams, liquor liability, off-ice activities, CIAU colleges, high schools, In-Line and evaluation camps. It is critical to ensure, in advance, that activities can be and are sanctioned.

TSN CHALLENGE

The OWSA was honored to host the first TSN Challenge – held on March 1st at the Brampton Sport and Entertainment Centre. This was the first game after the Nagano Olympics between Team Canada and Team USA. A large, enthusiastic crowd was treated to exceptional hockey with Team Canada defeating their archrivals by a score of 6-1.

- Twelve year old Laura Stanley, our "Experience a Dream" player at the March 1st, national team game was an inspiration to players and spectators. Although Laura lost an arm in a farming accident, she excels at sports including hockey.

CANADA'S 1998 NATIONAL WOMEN'S UNDER 22 TEAM

Congratulations to Canada's Under 22 Team – 1998 Christmas Cup Champions.

Members of the team from Ontario:

Gillian Ferrari Celina Isen Tania Pinelli Sommer West
Isabelle Aubee

Round Robin Scores

Canada	3	Germany	1
Germany	2	Switzerland	2
Canada	9	Switzerland	0
Canada	8	Switzerland	0
Canada	3	Germany	1
Germany	1	Switzerland	0

Final Standings

	GP	W	L	T	GP	GA	PTS
Canada	4	4	0	0	23	2	8
Germany	4	1	2	1	5	8	3
Switzerland	4	0	3	1	2	20	1

TEAM CANADA: 3 NATIONS CUP

October 5 to 12, 1998, Kuortane, Finland

Congratulations to Canada's undefeated champions!

Members of the team from Ontario:

Geraldine Heaney	Becky Kellar	Cheryl Pounder	Nathalie Rivard
Amanda Benoit	Cassie Campbell	Lori Dupuis	Jayna Hefford
Karen Nystrom	Vicky Sunohara	Sommer West	

Assistant Coaches: Karen Hughes & Ken Dufton

Canada	2	USA	1
USA	3	Finland	2
Canada	8	Finland	4
Canada	4	USA	3
USA	3	Finland	2
Canada	2	Finland	0

TEAM CANADA – ONTARIO/QUEBEC TOUR

Congratulations to Canada's Team

Members of the team from Ontario:

Lesley Reddon	Geraldine Heaney	Cheryl Pounder	Nathalie Rivard
Cassie Campbell	Lori Dupuis	Jayna Hefford	Laura Schuler
Vicky Sunohara			

Assistant Coaches: Karen Hughes & Ken Dufton

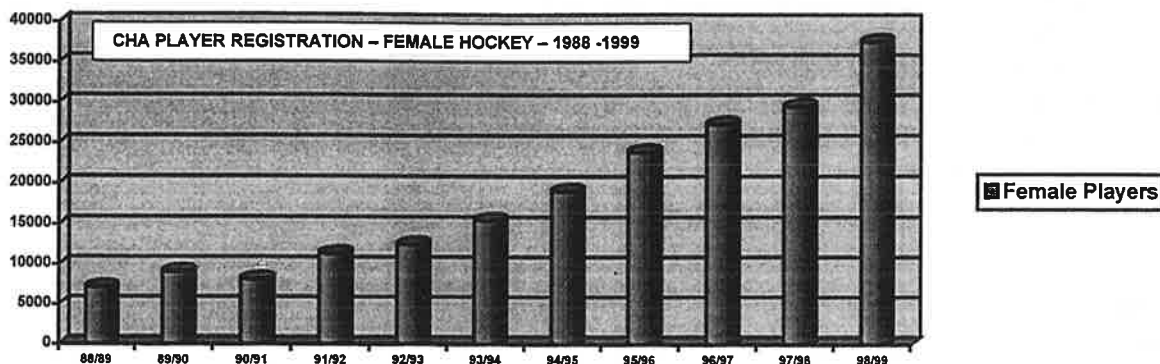
January 20	Oshawa	Finland	6	Canada	6
January 21	Renfrew	Canada	6	Finland	2
January 23	Quebec	Canada	2	Finland	1
January 24	Quebec	Canada	6	Finland	0

HARRASSMENT AND ABUSE REPORT

CANADIAN HOCKEY ASSOCIATION UPDATE:

- The name has been changed from the Sub Committee on Harassment and Abuse to the Sub Committee on the Prevention of Harassment and Abuse
- Coach workbooks and instructor guides to be available July 1999
- CHA Bag Tags were not available last season and may not be available for the coming season unless sponsorship is found
- The CHA is working on a possible Speak Out Program insert for association newsletters
- The CHA has been working on a policy for all CHA High Performance teams to follow
- The OWHF committee reviewed and confirmed our process for reporting and we remind all members that you should report directly to Fran Rider as our liaison.
- The committee also began the process of reviewing the OHF manual and other documents. We are trying to adapt the manual to "fit" female hockey and it is our hope that this committee will be given priority in the upcoming season to continue.

CHA FEMALE HOCKEY REGISTRATION



The Ontario Women's Hockey Association continues to derive its official affiliation to the International Ice Hockey Federation through the Canadian Hockey Association. We are represented at the board level by the Ontario Hockey Federation and are supported by the Ottawa District Hockey Association and the Thunder Bay Amateur Hockey Association. The OWHHA also has a delegate on the CHA Female Council.

REGISTRATION - WOMEN'S HOCKEY 1998/1999- CHA

Province		SR AAA & AA	SR. Other	**	INT.	MIDGET	BANTAM	PEEWEE	ATOM	NOVICE	I.P.	High School	TOTAL
BC	PLAYERS	106	2140			667	111	235	563				3822
	TEAMS	6	98			44	8	16	38				210
ALTA.	PLAYERS	37	1106			764	162	570	279	387	137		3442
	TEAMS	2	62			53	7	31	7	7			169
SASK.	PLAYERS	0	0	1640									1640
	TEAMS	0	0	114									114
MAN.	PLAYERS	0	275	341		496	173	523	548	273		144	2773
	TEAMS	0	16	0		32	9	28	28	6		11	130
OWHA	PLAYERS	83	4212		1710	1949	2372	3378	3091	1955	364		19114
	TEAMS	5	314		127	136	162	258	221	140	31		1394
QUE.	PLAYERS	0	780	1935									2715
	TEAMS	0	52	129									181
N.B.	PLAYERS	0	165			11	58	133	103	113	132	381	1096
	TEAMS	0	10			0	0	0	0	0	0	23	33
N.S.	PLAYERS	0	185			176	214	168	108	212	75		1138
	TEAMS	0	10			9	10	5	0	0	0		34
P.E.I.	PLAYERS	0	91			195	26	166	98	69	52		697
	TEAMS	0	7			0	0	0	0	0	0		7
NFLD.	PLAYERS	0	31		72	130	137	109	97	76	71		723
	TEAMS	0	3		4	9	9	7	6	5	4		47
NWT/HA	PLAYERS	0	74			12	15	37	38	22	53		251
	TEAMS	0	5			0	0	0	0	0	0		5
TOTALS	PLAYERS	240	9459	3916	1139	4437	3266	5512	4969	3161	910	525	37534
	TEAMS	13	573	243	136	284	202	340	298	156	34	34	2313

* British Columbia - Numbers under the Atom heading represent all players & teams under Pee wee

** Saskatchewan - Includes all female players

Manitoba - Includes house league (Winnipeg)

Quebec - Includes all Female Players (Intermediate & Under)

PLAYING RULE CHANGES FOR 1999/2000 - A SUMMARY

RULE 9 – (c) PLAYER'S BENCH

- Allows for a maximum of five (5) team officials on the bench

RULE 17 STARTING LINE-UP

- Removes the requirements for listing the starting line-up

RULE 21 – (a) STICKS

- In the case of hollowed shaft sticks, the end of the shaft must have a protective cap as well as being covered to protect against injury.

RULE 21 – (b) STICKS

- Stick shall not exceed 63 inches (1.60m) from heel to end of the shaft

RULE 24 – (b) PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- Goalie on the bench must wear as a minimum the same protective head equipment as the players
- Also now makes specific reference to pre-game warm-ups

RULE 24 – (d) PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- Play to be stopped immediately if a player is wearing a helmet and /or a facial protector in an offset position and assess a misconduct to the offending player

RULE 25 DANGEROUS EQUIPMENT

- No player is permitted to wear a sweater or pants, modified or altered to gain an advantage or compromise safety.

RULE 26 PUCK

- Allows for a one inch thick, three inch diameter, four ounce puck for novice and below

RULE 27 – (b) PENALTIES

- Referee may assess penalties at any time before, during or after the game, whether on the ice or off the ice, before entering the dressing room
- Off-ice altercations must be reported to the President in the Referee's Report

RULE 32 – (c) GAME EJECTION/GAME MISCONDUCT PENALTIES

- In Minor and Female Hockey, in the last ten minutes of the third period (or at any time in overtime) any player or team official who is assessed a Game Misconduct shall automatically be suspended for a minimum the next regular league/play-off game

RULE 35 –(b) PENALTY SHOT

- The goaltender must remain in her goal crease until the designated player touches the puck at centre ice

RULE 35 – (f) PENALTY SHOT

- If the interference is from a team official, a game misconduct shall be assessed

RULE 42 – (d) LINESMEN

- Linesmen shall be allowed to call Double Minor Penalties (spearing, Butt-Ending, Face-mask and Head-butt)

RULE 49 – (f) ATTEMPT TO INJURE OR DELIBERATE INJURY

- A minor penalty shall be assessed to any player who uses the shaft of the stick above the upper hand to hold or hook an opponent

RULE 50 – (a) BOARDING AND BODY CHECKING

- If injury results, assess a Major Penalty and a game Misconduct

RULE 50 – (b) CHARGING

- If injury results, assess a Major Penalty and Game Misconduct
- Assess a Major Penalty and a Game Misconduct for charging a goalie in the crease

RULE 55 – (c) DELAY OF GAME

- Award a penalty shot if infraction occurs in the last two minutes of regular playing time or any time in overtime

RULE 56 – (b) ELBOWING AND KNEEING

- If injury results, assess a Major Penalty and a Game Misconduct

RULE 57 – (l) FACE-OFFS

- When a goal is scored illegally as a result of a deflection off the Referee or Lineman directly into the net, the face-off shall take place at the nearest end-zone face-off spot.

RULE 60 – (c) GOALS AND ASSISTS

- The goal shall not be allowed if the puck has been directed into the net as a result of a distinct kicking motion by an attacking player

RULE 60 – (d) GOALS AND ASSISTS

- The goal shall not be allowed if the puck is deliberately thrown or directed into the net by any part of the body of an attacking player other than his skate

RULE 61 – (a) HANDLING THE PUCK

- When a player simply closes his hand on the puck and immediately drops it to the ice, without gaining or attempting to gain an advantage by this action, shall be allowed to continue

RULE 65 – (e) ICING THE PUCK

- Removes the goal crease as a reason for waving off icings

Fax Stats!

Following are the transmission records from the OWHHA office fax machine from May 13, 1998 – May 14, 1999

Transmission Type	Pages	Total Time
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P.S. Unbelievably the fax machine (donated by Sharp) has never required service! (We've probably jinxed ourselves now!)

CANADIAN WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM

WOMEN'S WORLD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 8 to 14, 1999

ESPOO & VANTAA, FINLAND

Game #	Pool	Team		Team	
1	A	USA	10	Russia	2
2	A	Sweden	3	China	1
3	B	Canada	10	Switzerland	0
4	B	Finland	9	Germany	0
5	B	Canada	13	Germany	0
6	A	China	3	Russia	2
7	A	USA	11	Sweden	0
8	B	Finland	7	Switzerland	0
9	A	Sweden	7	Russia	0
10	A	USA	6	China	0
11	B	Germany	5	Switzerland	4
12	B	Canada	1	Finland	0
13	Medal Round	Russia	6	Germany	2
14	Medal Round	China	3	Switzerland	2
15	Semi Final	Canada	4	Sweden	1
16	Semi Final	USA	3	Finland	1
17	5 th /6 th	China	4	Russia	1
18	Bronze	Finland	8	Sweden	2
19	7 th /8 th	Germany	3	Switzerland	0
20	Gold/Silver	Canada	3	USA	1

CONGRATULATIONS TEAM CANADA – 5 Consecutive World Championships!!!!

Sami Jo Small	Manitoba	
Kim St. Pierre	Quebec	
Becky Kellar	Ontario	
Terese Brisson	New Brunswick	
Fiona Smith	Alberta	
Cheryl Pounder	Ontario	
Nathalie Rivard	Ontario	
Geraldine Heaney	Ontario	
France St. Louis	Quebec	
Jennifer Botterill	Alberta	
Lori Dupuis	Ontario	
Caroline Ouellette	Quebec	
Danielle Goyette	Alberta	
Jayna Hefford	Ontario	
Nancy Drolet	Quebec	
Hayley Wickenheiser	Alberta	
Amanda Benoit	Ontario	
Vicky Sunohara	Ontario	
Cassie Campbell	Ontario	
Mai-Lan Le	Quebec	
Danielle Sauvageau	Head Coach	Quebec
Karen Hughes	Assistant Coach	Ontario
Ken Dufton	Assistant Coach	Ontario

2000 WOMEN'S WORLD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP
MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO
INTERNATIONAL ICE HOCKEY FEDERATION

2000 IIHF WORLD WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

The Ontario Women's Hockey Association was awarded the right to host the 2000 IIHF Women's World Hockey Championship. The host city is Mississauga with the Hershey Centre as host facility. Proposed satellite sites include Barrie, Kitchener, London, Niagara Falls, Oshawa and Peterborough and Toronto.

The OWHA Board of Directors, encouraged by the remarkable success of the 1997 Championship in Kitchener and a desire to take the sport to the next level made the decision to pursue the 2000 event.

Ontario faced an uphill battle as the province had hosted the only two IIHF championships to be held in Canada (1990 & 1997) to date. In less than ten weeks a complete package was due in the CHA offices.

The focus of the bid was on the incredible volunteers and fan support in Ontario and the strength of the membership of the OWHA. As important as the Canadian gold medal was from Kitchener is the memory of the remarkable job done by the over one thousand volunteers who put their heart into the event. The competing teams and the CHA still talk today about the championship as the best ever for women's hockey and the terrific corp of volunteers.

OWHA Board of Regents Mayor Hazel McCallion and Professor Ed Ratushny joined the OWHA bid team led by Pat Nicholls, Keith McIntyre and Fran Rider in a presentation to the CHA bid Committee in Ottawa December 10th, Mayor McCallion's enthusiasm assisted in bringing this World Championship to her city.

Special thanks to Hershey President Rick Meyers and Hershey Canada for their support of the bid. The bid had incredible support. Sincere thanks to Don Cherry, Ken Dryden & the Toronto Maple Leafs, Ron Ellis & the Hockey Hall of Fame, Brian McFarlane, Jerry Howarth, Diane Kalenchuk, Ron Starr, Ken Noakes, Mike Hamilton and John Rydzewski.

WANTED: Volunteers for the 2000 Women's World Hockey Championship

Many volunteers are needed for the fast approaching 2000 World Championship. Application forms are available from the OWHA office for interested volunteers.

INTERNATIONAL ICE HOCKEY FEDERATION FEMALE HOCKEY NUMBERS

COUNTRY	PLAYERS 1994/95	PLAYER 1998/99	PLUS	% PLUS	TEAMS 1994/95	TEAMS 1998/99	PLUS	% PLUS
Australia	243	Dnr			7	Dnr		
Belgium	Dnr	Dnr			7	Dnr		
Canada	19,200	37,748	18,548	96.6	1,173	2,313	1,140	97.2
China	Dnr	Dnr			Dnr	Dnr		
Czech Republic	350	260	-90	-25.7	13	13	0	0.0
Denmark	327	248	-79	-24.2	13	12	-1	-7.7
Finland	1,600	2,295	695	43.4	61	65	4	6.6
France	1,009	950	-59	-5.8	16	16	0	0.0
Germany	2,189	Dnr			54	Dnr		
Great Britain	537	Dnr			Dnr	Dnr		
Hungary	51	54	3	5.9	2	2	0	0.0
Japan	1,230	1,400	170	13.8	66	70	4	6.1
Kazakhstan	0	257	257		0	4	4	
Korea	0	17	17		0	1	1	
Latvia	0	40	40		0	2	2	
Netherlands	150	Dnr			4	Dnr		
Norway	340	300	-40	-11.8	13	10	-3	-23.1
Russia	185	Dnr			6	7	1	16.7
Slovakia	448	250	-198	-44.2	14	8	-6	-42.9
Sweden	1,052	1,633	581	55.2	40	40	0	0.0
Switzerland	616	838	222	36	29	33	4	13.8
United States	16,727	31,152	14,425	86.2	498	1,071	573	115.1
TOTALS	46,254	77,442	34,492	74.5	2,016	3,667	1,723	85.4

MARKETING REPORT

The Ontario Women's Hockey Association has experienced an incredible season. Major corporations, well aware of the success and professionalism of the Ontario Women's Hockey Association, are approaching us with ideas for winning partnerships.

We have been successful in securing solid agreements with some of the most respected companies in Canada. In our negotiations with these corporations, we have been impressed with their very positive company values and also with their sincere interest in activities that continue to enhance the development of female hockey.

Highlights of the OWHHA Business Plan:

VISION: To continue to grow on the awareness (build on awareness generated by the 1998 Olympics) and build Women's Hockey in the province of Ontario.

OWHA LOGO

20th Century – the first 25 years



Towards 2000 & beyond



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- **LOGO LAUNCH:** On September 27, 1998 the OWHHA unveiled its new logo. OWHHA membership greeted the new logo at the OWHHA General Meeting held at the Four Points Hotel in Mississauga. On hand for the unveiling was OWHHA Board of Regent Mayor Hazel McCallion and logo designer Karen Finley.

CORPORATE AND SPECIAL SUPPORT:

- Sponsors recognize the winning partnership opportunities with female hockey. The OWHHA sincerely thanks:

Canadian Tire

On April 16, 1999, Canadian Tire unveiled its first Affinity MasterCard in support of the Ontario Women's Hockey Association. The card, which features a custom card design displaying both the Canadian Tire and OWHHA logos, is the first of its kind in Canadian retailing. The OWHHA will receive funding from the card based on cardholder use. Funds, which could reach a six-figure amount over the next three years, will directly support OWHHA members.

The Canadian Tire/OWHA Affinity MasterCard is the first in a series of Affinity cards that will benefit other hockey associations and organizations.

Canadian Tire Acceptance Limited (CTAL) is the financial services arm of Canadian Tire Corporation, Limited. CTAL is Canada's fifth largest issuer of MasterCard credit cards.

Canadian Tire Corporation, Limited – the country's largest hardgoods retailer – offers a unique mix of products and services through the leadership of three specialty stores under one roof – Automotive, Sports and Leisure, and Home Products. With 430 Canadian Tire Associate Stores serving communities nationwide, Canadian Tire Corporation, Limited and the Associate Dealers together employ 35,000 Canadians and form one of Canada's best known and successful retailers.

- a major sponsorship deal was signed involving an OWHHA Canadian Tire MasterCard
- benefits support development at grass roots level.

General Motors

Chevrolet is teaming up with Hockey Hall of Fame member's Bobby Orr and Mike Bossy, as well as Canadian Olympic and National Team member Cassie Campbell to bring the message of "Safe and Fun Hockey".

Cassie Campbell said that, "This is the kind of program which has enormous value for everyone involved – hockey players, hockey coaches and hockey parents. Some tremendously worthwhile lessons can be learned."

- The OWHHA is partnering with Chevrolet on major sponsorship deal involving financial support, vehicle support and development support based on positive Values.

General Mills

It was with great pleasure that the Ontario Women's Hockey Association announced a marketing partnership with General Mill Canada Inc. – manufacturers of Cheerios, Maple Frosted Wheaties, Betty Crocker products and many other fine products.

- OWHHA sanctioned tournaments received a gift pack consisting of Betty Crocker Pop Secret Popcorn, Bugles, Cheerios, Maple Frosted Wheaties and Betty Crocker Fruit Snack products.
- General Mills sponsored the Maple Frosted Wheaties Breakfast of Champions at the September 1998 OWHHA General Meeting
- General Mills provided cash support of the OWHHA

Esso

Esso has been a long time supporter of the Ontario Women's Hockey Association. Their support has had a very positive impact on the development of the game.

- Title sponsorship of the Esso Senior Women's National Championship
- Esso schools programme
- Esso Medals & Certificates of Achievement program. Since 1981, the program has recognized millions of Canadian girls & boys. The awards are free and honour sportsmanship and fair play.
- Esso Experience a Dream program – a young player dresses as a "member" of Team Canada
- Donation of product for provincial championship participants

Bauer

- Donated hockey pants, helmets, gloves, goalie gloves and 2 sets of sweaters and socks for our Canada Winter Games Team
- Donated hockey pants, helmets, gloves and sticks for the Canadian Tire MasterCard photo shoot

Beatrice Parmalat

- Sponsored final training camp at Beatrice Ice Gardens as Team Ontario completed final preparations for the 1999 Canada Winter Games

Hershey Canada

- Sponsored and supported the 2000 Women's World Hockey Championship bid
- Donated water bottles and Hershey kisses for the Canadian Tire MasterCard launch

McDonalds

- Designed, produced and distributed an OWHHA tray liner which was used in McDonalds restaurants throughout Ontario.
- Partnership talks are quickly progressing to bring McDonalds in as a sponsor

Molson

- Sponsorship of the Hospitality room for the 1999 OWHHA Annual General Meeting
- Establishment of the Open Ice Summit – August 25-27, 1999 - Toronto
Exciting interactive conference looking at issues affecting Canadian hockey today and its future direction.

Choice Hotels

- Members of the OWHA are eligible to receive specially negotiated room rates at over 125 participating Comfort, Quality, Clarion, Sleep, Econo Lodge and Rodeway inns, hotels and suites across Canada. In addition, 46 Ontario properties furnished the OWHA with a \$3.00 rebate, per room, for each paid room.

Bell Hockey Hotline

- A 1-800 TIPS-303 telephone number featuring information and hockey tips

Olympic Sweaters

- Many OWHA members took advantage of the signed Olympic jerseys for use as fund raisers for their hockey programmes.

Merchandise

- OWHA crested merchandise was a hit at provincial championships. Participants proudly displayed the OWHA logo!

The future is very promising. We look forward to working with our membership to maximize opportunities for sponsorship programmes that provide benefit at all levels of our game.

We sincerely thank these companies for their valued support. Please remember their names when shopping! Special thanks to Keith McIntyre for his work with the OWHA.



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- ☐ Canada Winter Games
- ☐ Central Canadian Championship
- ☐ CHA Midget National Championship
- ☐ Esso Senior Women's National Championship
- ☐ World Championship
- ☐ Olympics

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- ☐ Coach
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- ☐ Evaluator
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To: McDONALDS

Thanks for helping us promote the great sport of girls & women's hockey!

From: Over 24,000 current members of the OWHA (and many more future participants)

Opportunities to join organized leagues are becoming available in more and more communities, and girls and women are finally getting the encouragement and support they need to enroll their daughters [and themselves!] as players; Self-esteem, team spirit and a real sense of belonging are values that every person can find in the Ontario Women's Hockey Association.

Through the hard work of athletes, officials and volunteers, the OWHA has led the charge to define and preserve the individual identity of women's hockey. It is because of this dedication and success that the sport has recently been accepted as an Olympic event.



UPDATED STATS:

At present, there are 1394 female teams in Ontario (OWHA) alone. This past April saw the OWHA's largest Provincial Championship ever, with 297 teams competing in 32 divisions.



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