

G&T Report – Feb 21, 2019 WRRRA General Meeting

### Regionals 2019

Regional planning is well under way. We have our schedule finalized and will slate teams into the tiers at the WRRRA meeting on March 6<sup>th</sup>.

We currently have 7 minor officials registered who can cover time/score on 6 rinks, who are available all day on Friday. We are running 7 pads, most of which also need shot clock at various times during the day. Both Time/Score and Shot clock is a paid position and is open to any Western Region member. Link for signup is on the Regionals 2019 webpage.

Needs rooms? This year Western Region has coordinated room bookings with a number of local establishments. Listing is available on Regionals 2019 webpage. All space is first come first served. Deadline is Feb 28 for the reservation block.

### Regionals 2020

Regionals 2020 are currently planned to return to Tillsonburg following the 2 year cycle of the past.

### Provincials 2019

Provincials are just around the corner for many of our Provincial teams!

Congrats to our Regional Representatives:

Forest U14A

Forest U16A

Guelph U19A

Reminder to teams needing substitute players and/or wishing to add a second goalie to submit your requests to G&T ASAP.

### Provincials - Hotels

This year there were few if any issues for the Provincial Events in Waterloo and Guelph.

West Ferris is another story. This year the Ringette Ontario office took over managing the hotel bookings with HTG as they are a contracted service. G&T found out from teams on Tuesday night that bookings were being capped at 10 rooms, and that there was not sufficient inventory for all teams, even at 10 rooms per team.

In an effort to mitigate the issues, Ringette Ontario and G&T has agreed to not issue fines to any team who pre-booked (against RO policy) and asked that they come forward. A number of Western Region teams have done so. These team numbers were removed from the Friday's release, allowing more inventory for the remaining teams.

In addition, G&T and the office are working with a number of contacts (direct, and through the tourism office) to attempt to secure additional beds in the area.

As G&T we are disappointed that this was not actioned earlier, and it is unclear what was communicated with the office. This is the final year for the current contract.

Going forward the hotel booking system will be reviewed/redesigned. The current system is flawed in many ways, including the fact that more and more hotels do not wish to pay commissions to a booking agency and would rather deal directly with the user groups. More information will be provided as it is available.

## Provincials 2020

U12 - NE

Provs - Eastern

Provs - Southern

## Provincials going forward

Ringette Ontario has accepted G&T's proposal of a rotating host by region for each event. Western Region has hosted the lion's share of events in the last few years, followed closely by Eastern Region.

The following is the proposed and accepted rotation based on the current number of teams in each region:

	<b>First Provincial Championship</b>	<b>Second Provincial Championship</b>	<b>U12 Provincial Event</b>
2021	Eastern	Central	Western
2022	Western	Eastern	Southern
2023	Southern	Western	Eastern
2024	Eastern	North East	Western
2025	Western	Eastern	Central
2026	Southern	Western	Eastern
2027	Eastern	Southern	Western
2028	Western	Eastern	North East
2029	Central	Western	Southern
2030	Western	Southern	Eastern

## Suspensions

We have had very few Misconduct and Match penalties this season. This is an ongoing improvement.

The unserved 4 minute majors continue but seem to be levelling out.

## Substitutions

The tournament season is almost over but we do have a lot of teams heading to Niagara. Please get any sub requests in EARLY.

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