

## Western Region Ringette Association Directors Report

## General Meeting February 26, 2015

- At the past ORA Board meeting in Toronto we discussed the potential for Regional boundary changes in Ontario. The ORA is not moving forward with that proposal. What grew from that proposal was a discussion to modify the rules for AAA players and where they can try out if they are not offered a position on their regional team. I believe our Elite Coordinator will have further information on this following a recent conference call.
- During a recent Sport Development conference call the committee discussed and drafted a motion to allow regions to hold U12 Provincial tryouts in the spring with a mandate that no team activity is to occur during the summer months. Team activity and tryouts can resume during the first week in September. The 2015-2016 A-AA Tryout and Selection Process document has been modified to reflect this change..
- 3. Sport Development has also changed the wording on U8 players using goalie equipment. If you have questions concerning this speak with Western Regions Sport Development Coordinator Erienne Beuglet.
- 4. The 2014-15 season has been a good one for WORL and WRRL in Western Region. Before we know it the leagues will be coming to a close and the Provincial events will be behind us. It is also the time of the year when our Annual General Meetings are held. It is important that your associations send a representative to each of these AGMs. A portion of the executive structures for WRRL, WORL and the Western Region Ringette Associations are voted on at each of these meetings. Our sport is a volunteer based organization and it is extremely important that each association plays an active part in our Executive structures. In the absence of a representative from your association at these meetings it may result in your association being assigned a role that it will be responsible for finding a volunteer for. Our Region will not go another season without an Adult Coordinator. If we do not have a volunteer present at the AGM we will assign the responsibility to an association who is not filling an active volunteer role in the WRRA executive or Coordinator position.
- 5. I want to wish all of our teams good luck in their year-end league play, the Regionals and all of the Provincial Events.

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