AA/ A / U12P Provincial Team League Play – WORL (Western Ontario Ringette League)

This season is a year of considerable change for Western Region Provincial level teams for league play. Since the end of last season, Western Region has entered into a partnership with Southern and Central Regions to form the new GLRL (Great Lakes Ringette League) www.glrl.com. This new league will allow for a broader range of opponents for levels of play from U14A – U19AA. For this season, the U12P division will continue to play in WORL. As the new President of GLRL along with the GLRL executive it has been a busy time establishing the new League By-Laws and Rules. I am pleased to announce that Western Region is well represented on the GLRL Executive with Shannon Crinklaw (Dorchester) as the Secretary and Shelley Handley (Dorchester) as the Western Region Representative. I look forward to working with all GLRL Reps and Executive to ensure a tremendous Ringette experience for all players.

In GRLR there is a rule change with respect to the game formats for U16AA and U19AA. We have committed to a 4×11 minute period format to increase game time by 4 minutes (10%) to increase player development opportunities.

The 2019-2020 Ringette year will begin play with 9 Member associations. This year there are 11 Provincial AA teams, 15 Provincial A teams and 7 U12P teams competing in the GLRL & WORL league play. GLRL will begin league play for AA & A teams the weekend of September 21st, 2019. WORL U12P teams will begin play the weekend of Sept 28th, 2019. The member Associations will participate in the following divisions:

"AA" Declared Teams:

U14AA (3) Dorchester, London, Waterloo,

U16AA (5) Dorchester, Guelph, Kitchener, London, Waterloo

U19AA (3) Guelph, London, Waterloo,

"A" Declared Teams:

U12P (7) Dorchester, Forest, Guelph, Kitchener, London, Mitchell, Waterloo

U14A (6) Forest, Guelph, Kitchener, London, St Mary's, WaterlooU16A (5) Dorchester, Elora Fergus, Forest, Guelph, Waterloo

U19A (4) Forest, London, Mitchell, Waterloo

Next WORL Meeting – Monday, September 16th @ 7pm – Dorchester Library Next GLRL Meeting – Monday, September 23rd @ 7pm – Mississauga Iceland Arena

AA Provincials – Richmond Hill, March 12-15th
A Provincials – West Ottawa, March 19-22nd
U12 Provincial Event – Sault Ste Marie, April 2-5th

Thank you and good luck to all teams as we begin a brand new season!

See you at the Rinks!

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