



Western Region Ringette Association

Directors Report

General Meeting - September 19, 2013

As the Director of Western Region I am inspired by the passion, pride and commitment that our volunteers give to their players, their communities and to our sport. The fruit of their endeavors is quite evident in the success our Region experienced at every level of competition last season.

Our WRRL (Western Region Ringette League) continues to do an excellent job managing and developing the skill set of our players at the Regional level. The League has some vacancies in their executive most notably in the President's position. Linda Clarke is actively looking for a replacement in that position. Associations not currently holding a position on that executive really need to step up and get involved.

Our WORL (Western Ontario Ringette League) also does a superior job at providing our Provincial level players with a excellent opportunity to hone their skills and develop into elite Ringette players. The League rarely gets time to rest as the formation of A and AA teams started last spring and carried on through the summer until September.

As many of you know this is a AAA year. I would like to wish Ron Vermeltfoort, his bench staff and all of the players representing our Region the best of luck. Western Region is once again hosting a Challenge Cup. It will be held in St. Marys in January. Your attendance and your show of support for our team at this event would be greatly appreciated.

I would like to once again congratulate all of our players for the success they experienced, the friendships they fostered and the commitment they gave to our sport and their teammates last year and encourage them to stand true to themselves, their teammates and the sport for the upcoming season.

I will finish off by thanking my fellow Board and Executive members and coordinators not only for their support but also for the administrative work they do to ensure everyone's needs are met at the Provincial and Regional level. Like many of you they are parents or grandparents of players, they are members of bench staffs, they are actively involved with their local associations and yet they still give their volunteer time to sit on this board.

We have a few Coordinator vacancies on our board to fill for the upcoming season. We are looking for an Elite and an Adult Coordinator. If we don't have volunteers come forward I will contact the Presidents of those associations not currently represented on the WRRRA Board to find a volunteer within their organization.

Thank you very much and all the best during the 2013-2014 Season.

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