

## **Western Region Officiating Report Sept 2013**

Welcome to another ringette season. Things are starting up quickly as it is another rule change year. All referees **MUST** attend a rules clinics and one coach from every team **MUST** attend a rules clinic hosted by officiating.

Here is a list of clinic in Western Region:

### **Refresher Level 1/2**

Friday September 27<sup>th</sup> RIM Park Room 104 Waterloo 6pm-9pm

Wednesday October 2 @ WERC Lions Lair Guelph – 6pm-9pm

Thursday October 3<sup>rd</sup> @ Murray Fried Room Activa Arena Kitchener 6pm-9pm

Monday October 7<sup>th</sup> Stronach Park London Room A 6pm-9pm

Wednesday October 9<sup>th</sup> West perth (Mitchell arena) 185 Wellington St. - 6pm-9pm

Wednesday October 16<sup>th</sup> The Shores Recreation Centre 6276 Townsend Line Forest 6pm-9pm

Thursday October 17 @ Victoria Arena Guelph– 7pm-10pm

Saturday October 19<sup>th</sup> North London Optimist Community Center 9am-12 noon

Tuesday October 29<sup>th</sup> RIM Park Room 104 Waterloo 6pm-9pm

### **Refresher Level 3/4**

Monday September 30<sup>th</sup> Spruce Lodge Stratford Conference Room 2 – 7pm-10pm

### **Level 1 Clinic for new referees**

Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup> RIM Park Room 207 Waterloo 1-6:30pm (Ice session 5:30 to 6:30pm)

### **Coaching Rules Clinic**

Thursday October 3<sup>rd</sup> Waterloo RIM park Room 104 7pm to 9pm

Thursday October 10<sup>th</sup> North London Optimist Community Center 7pm to 9pm

Saturday October 19<sup>th</sup> North London Optimist Community Center 1pm to 3pm

Tuesday October 22<sup>nd</sup> WERC Lions Lair Guelph 7pm to 9pm

There is a new online registration process for all referee clinics through the ringette Canada website. All referees will now have a profile online and will be able to update their info and see

their qualifications online. This is a new process and will take some time to get everyone up to date but it will be worth it once it is all completed.

Steve Baker from London has taken over assigning officials for A/AA games using the Arbiter. Welcome Steve. As in the past Referee in Chiefs will be responsible to schedule U12 A and one official for U14A as well as all exhibition games.

We still have a shortage of high level refs for Open A and U18AA and U16AA in the region and this will be the case for some time until we can build up our refs and get them through the ranks. We continue to struggle covering the demands of games on weekends, especially when there are tournament happening that weekend. It will be a very busy season with league games, exhibition games, tournaments, NRL, AAA challenges, regionals, provincials and CRC's.

There will be an evaluators clinic in December and we are sending 3 referees to this clinic. It will be nice for Western region to get more evaluators. Western Region currently has 5 evaluators. It is my goal to get all referees in Western region evaluated at some point during this ringette season. Referees should be encouraged to attend tournaments as they have a better chance of being evaluated and can learn from the experience.

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