

## Western Region Ringette Association Directors Report

General Meeting – November 20, 2013

The 2014-2015 season in Western Region has started with a significant number of successes and a very few troublesome issues. September to November is typically the quietest time of our year for the Region Executive but often the busiest time of the year for our Coordinators and their counterparts at the local association level. There is a lot of documentation that is processed, league schedules drafted and fine tuned, certifications checked, training clinics scheduled and held. All are critical components to that start of a successful season.

We are about 2 months into our season and I am pleased to report that our teams have done quite well in tournament play against teams from other regions. Congratulations to all.

The process is underway to review and select our next AAA coach. Our Elite Coordinator is managing that process.

On an unfortunately repetitive note, our sport and especially in Western Region is experiencing a shortage of referees. I encourage each association to reach out to their current and past players and foster a desire for them to participate in our sport at that capacity. Our sport cannot survive without them.

I would again like to thank my fellow executive members and coordinators for the many hours they put in to ensure everyone's needs are met at the Provincial and Regional level

There is an ORA Board meeting this weekend in Toronto. If there is anything you want me to bring to the table please let me know either in person or by email.

Thank you very much and please continue to give back to a sport that has been very good to all of us.

Peter Westelaken Director, Western Region