## Elite Report – April 18, 2013 Amy Ross

This season demonstrated the strength of the Elite program in Western Region. We captured several medals at Provincial, Eastern, and National events.

Congratulations to Guelph U16AA "Team Ontario" for capturing Bronze at the Canadian Ringette Championships!

Congratulation to Seaforth "Team Ontario" for capturing U16A Silver at the Eastern Canadian Ringette Championships!

Congratulations to Kitchener for capturing U16A Gold in U16A at the Eastern Canadian Ringette Championships!

Western Region captured several medals and awards at the U12PP Provincial event held in Oshawa, including:

U12 Gough – Chatham – Gold; Elora Fergus - Sportsmanship

U12 Lajuenesse - Mitchell - Silver; Guelph - Bronze; London - Sportsmanship

U12 McCarthy – Waterloo – Silver; Kitchener – Bronze

I would like to thank Mike Guiler for doing a great job managing the league this year!

## Western Region AAA

Tryouts for AAA have commenced with approximately 50 participants declaring their intent to try out. The AA coaching staff has created and submitted excellent tryout plans. Players will begin to be released following the tryout this Sunday at the Wilmot Rec Centre in Baden.

There are still a couple of vacancies on the bench staff, and these will be filled once the final team roster is declared.

## Tryout dates reminder:

Saturday, April 20th 12 pm to 3 pm Wilmot Rec Centre Baden Sunday, April 21st 2 to 4 p.m. Wilmot Rec Centre Baden Saturday, April 27th 12-3 p.m. Pyramid Rec Centre St. Marys Sunday, April 28th 10 to 12 Dorchester Arena Saturday May 4th 2-5 p.m. Thompson Arena , UWO Campus , London

## Upcoming events

I will be attending the Standing Committee Meetings in Toronto this weekend, where several issues are up for discussion:

- Choosing hosts for Challenge Cup
- Nationals
- Winter Games venue comments

There was some great ringette played this season! I was able to attend many games at the AA Provincials held in Waterloo, and enjoyed every single minute. The dedication and spirit with which these elite level players commit to is something special to behold, and I look forward to watching much more next season!

All reports from the A Provincials held in Nepean indicate that there was some great ringette played there, as well. There were many mini games played, which indicates that there were some very tense moments for all!

I was able to attend many games at the U12 PP event held in Oshawa, and the sportsmanship and drive that these young up-and-coming elite players demonstrate both on and off the ice makes me very proud to be a ringette parent, coach, and volunteer!

Congratulations to all players, coaches, volunteers, and families on another great season!

Until next season, Amy