Hi Everyone,

We are looking forward to another season of ringette!

- 1. Firstly we are launching a new Adult Committee for Western Region and we are looking for the following volunteers to support. If you have any interested in volunteering or learning more about it please reach out to me at smsmith3008@gmail.com
 - Chair (VP Adult)
 - VP A/AA
 - VP B/C
 - Secretary
 - 1 league rep from each Western Region based league

The Committee will be hosting its first meeting on Sept 23 at 7:00pm via Zoom: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85961658755?pwd=S0tyU2JTTUFra3NYeVhSNmlhUFdMdz09</u> Meeting ID: 859 6165 8755 Passcode: 668407

Any Western Region Adult team that was registered for the 2019/20 season at any level is encouraged to attend. We will be voting on the above committee positions, reviewing the attached Terms of Reference and chatting about plans for the upcoming season (including registration and tournaments). Again if you have any questions please email <u>smsmith3008@gmail.com</u>

- 2. Here are the available registration options for this season:
 - Register/align your team with a Minor Club (i.e. Waterloo Ringette Association). This is a great option to allow players moving out of U19 a chance to continue to play for the same club in 18+ and volunteer with the minor club.
 - Register as an Affiliate Club complete the Membership Form to be an Adult Affiliate Team with Ringette Ontario.
 - Register directly through the RO portal and submit your team's roster via email to techdirector@ringetteontario.com.
 RO will create your TRF and provide you a copy to submit to Sanctioned Events for registration purposes.
 - Interested in being a super sub or do not have time to commit full time to a team? Register as an Independent Player using this link: <u>http://ringette-ontario.rampregistrations.com</u>

As a reminder, all athletes and teams must be registered to participate in any RO Sanctioned Event.

Ringette Ontario recommends you register by October 1St if you wish to participate in January/February/March Traditional Tournament play as options will be limited. The deadline to register your 18+ Team roster to compete in RO Sanctioned Events is December 1St unless an extension is provided by Ringette Ontario.

3. For this season to support Adult Ringette RO has created one/two day event guidelines to support adult play before traditional tournaments launch in January. If you are interested in hosting and would like a copy of the guidelines please email me at smsmith3008@gmail.com

- 4. Coaching requirements have been updated for adults as well. You can view these on the RO website but all teams below 18+AA will now only require:
 - The bench staff code of conduct
 - Safe Sport Training or Respect in Sport for Activity Leaders Training
 - And if any of your participants are under the age of 18 the volunteer screening requirement

Let me know if you have any other questions,

Stephanie