Western Region Ringette Association High Performance Report 2023 AGM

It has been a busy 2022-2023 season for High Performance in Ontario and Western Region!!!

Ontario Winter Games and the AAA Program

With Covid behind us our AAA program added a surprise year beginning with tryouts in July followed by Development Camps in Ajax, Sudbury and Kitchener and culminating with the **Ontario Winter Games** in Renfrew County. Arnprior was a fantastic host of this year's event for Ringette where approximately 120 athletes and coaches competed on their respective teams for a chance to win Gold.

During the 4 days, the teams participated in Opening Ceremonies, Round Robin Play, Team Bonding and of course finishing with the Medal Games.

Congratulations to all the Teams and especially to our Western Region Athletes and Coaches for an outstanding season!

Canada Winter Games and Team Ontario

This was also a Team Ontario cycle for the Canada Winter Games beginning with tryout camps in May followed by Challenge Cups and Development Camps in Moncton/Dieppe New Brunswick, Nepean Ontario, Winnipeg Manitoba, Gatineau Quebec, Pierrefonds Quebec and culminating with the **Canada Winter Games** held in Prince Edward Island. From February 18 to March 5, the event brought together more than 3,600 participants to celebrate the very best in Canadian sport and is the pinnacle event of our sport in Canada. Western Region was again well represented and we congratulate the team on their hard work and especially to our Western Region Athletes and Coaches for an outstanding season! Western Region was represented by the following home grown coaches and athletes:

Coaches - Sheri Markle (HC), Melanie Norris (AC), John Mezenberg (AC), Erin Markle and Cam Schnnar Athletes – Brianna Jacobi, Brooke Wasylyshyn, Elyssa Perron, Ella McGoldrick, Jordan McClement, Megan Heaney, Sarah Pedersen

Junior and Senior National Team

It was another World Championship cycle this past season and took place in Espoo Finland October 31 to November 6, 2022. Congratulations to all players and coaches that took part but especially to our own Western Region players Tatum Allen (Junior), Erika Neubrand (Junior), Lydia Duncan (Senior) and Erika Kiviaho (Senior).

This fall Calgary will be hosting the 2023 U21 World Championships October 26-30, 2023 which will also include High Performance opportunities with the La Releve U17 National Development Program, U18 International Development Program as well as the Senior National Team Program.

Provincial AA Championships

Thank you to the Cities of Kitchener and Waterloo for hosting the 2023 Provincial AA Championships. Another wonderful Provincial event placing Western Region in the spotlight and was well represented by Western Region Teams. Congratulations to all the Coaches and Athletes that took part in the 4 day event.

Canadian Ringette Championships

The Canadian Ringette Championships were held this year in Regina Saskatchewan from April 9 to April 15. What a great week of Ringette and we want to congratulate the Waterloo U19AA and Waterloo NRL athletes and coaches for a great season, you represented Western Region well!

A special congratulation to those athletes selected to the 1st or 2nd All Star Team

Waterloo Wildfire NRL – Cam Schnnar (1st) and Kelsey Youldon (2nd)

Waterloo Wildfire U19AA – Jace Cormier (2nd)

Eastern Canadian Ringette Championships

The Eastern Canadian Ringette Championships were held this year in Dieppe New Brunswick from April 20 to April 23. What a wonderful event of great ringette and we want to congratulate the Kitchener U14AA, Forest U16A (Bronze Medalists), Forest U19A and London U19A (Silver Medalists) athletes and coaches for a great season, you represented Western Region well!

AAA Program Next Season

The Ontario Winter Games will be held again in February 2024 in Thunder Bay. Stay Tuned for more information as it becomes available to take part in the next cycle.

We wish to Thank all the Coaches, Parents, Families, Friends and Sponsors for all the help and support given to our High Performance Athletes throughout the season!

THANK YOU!!!