



STIX 'n PUX

BMHA Newsletter

October 2021

COVID PROTOCOLS - Quick Reminders!

On an ongoing basis, BMHA continues to stay on top of the current public health order towards vaccination requirements and communicate facility vaccination protocols. We appreciate everyone's patience in these ever-changing times as guidelines can adjust rapidly.

THE LATEST INFORMATION

The latest information regarding Covid protocols will be made available on our website:

BURNABY MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

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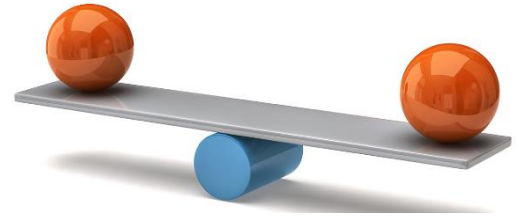
1. **Latest News & Events** – the carousel will show the most recent news, association-wide emails, etc. that have been sent to the membership
2. **2021/22 Covid Protocols & Announcements** – this links to the 2021 Covid page which outlines the various protocol announcements and information provided to date
3. **Visiting Teams – Game Play Info – 2021/22** – managers can provide this link to visiting teams so that they are aware of the protocols/requirements of BMHA and our facility partners

AWAY GAMES & OTHER VENUES

As a reminder, when playing away games against other Associations, you must follow their protocols & requirements. PCAHA has asked that each association include “visiting information” on their website, and if that information is not available, please ask your team manager to check with the other team.

BALANCING IN “C” DIVISIONS - What is “Balancing”?

Each season, we want to remind parents about “Balancing” - most parents don't pay a lot of attention to this process until their child is one of the players that must make a move, so it is helpful to outline what balancing is and why it is required by PCAHA and BMHA.



What is "Balancing"?

Balancing is a term used by Pacific Coast Amateur Hockey Association (PCAHA) to describe a process by which teams within a division are evaluated and, through player movements, start the season at even strength.

Why does BMHA balance teams?

As a member of PCAHA, we are mandated to have balanced teams. This is a mandatory requirement of being a minor hockey association in the Pacific Coast region. We are not able to opt out of the process, and the final declaration of whether or not teams are “balanced” is the prerogative of PCAHA, not BMHA. We simply facilitate the process and do our best to bring the teams into alignment before PCAHA makes any final moves.

How is balancing done?

Your child is temporarily assigned to a group of skaters at the start of the season. The first couple of weeks are primarily used for evaluations. Then these groupings begin to play games against each other to determine if they are of equal strength. During that time, stats are evaluated, and decisions are made by BMHA Division Managers as to how to redistribute players with the intention that no single group is stronger or weaker than the others. If we discover that our groups are unbalanced, we are obligated to redistribute players to make them more even strength. This continues until our groups are balanced and PCAHA gives our newly formed teams official status.

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The final declaration of whether or not teams are “balanced” is the prerogative of PCAHA, not BMHA. PCAHA has the right to unilaterally declare these groups not balanced and, in some cases, decide which players will be moved. BMHA simply facilitates the process and do our best to bring the teams into alignment as soon as possible. By late-October/ early-November, most kids will have been placed into the groups they will play the season out with. HOWEVER, at any time up to January 10th, PCAHA may mandate player movement between teams to meet the mandatory balancing requirement.

REGISTRATION 2021/22 - 57 Teams & Over 860 Members!

After a dip in registration last year due to Covid, BMHA is on track with our registration numbers – we now sit at over 815 members (and it continues to grow daily as we are still accepting registrations for some divisions) and 57 this year!

| Division | Wildcats "Rep/A" | Wildcats "C" | Bulldogs "Rep/A" | Bulldogs "C" | Microhockey |
|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Microhockey | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| U6 – Jr. Wildcats & Bulldogs | - | 1 | - | 3 | - |
| U7 | - | 2 | - | 2 | - |
| U8 | - | - | - | 3 | - |
| U9 | - | 5 | - | 3 | - |
| U11 | - | 1 | 3 | 4 | - |
| U13 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | - |
| U15 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | - |
| U18 | - | 1 | 2 | 6 | - |
| U21 | - | - | - | 2 | - |

BMHA SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES - Looking for Sponsors for 2021/22

While BMHA is very lucky to have the dedication of parents and volunteers, we are looking for the support of business sponsors to help maintain the quality of our programs and ensure the game is accessible to all the growing number of kids who want to play hockey.

If you are

a business owner, work at a company or know of someone who may be interested in increasing their business and exposure to their customers while supporting BMHA, the Association has developed sponsorship and



advertising opportunities. The BMHA [Sponsorship & Advertising Package](#) on the BMHA website provides information on how corporate businesses can become part of our team!

We also encourage our members to support the generous sponsors of BMHA, including McDonalds, Scotiabank, Canlan Ice Sports/Scotia Barn, and Trinity Plumbing. A full list of sponsors can be found on the website on the [Sponsor & Offers page](#).

If anyone has any questions about sponsorship and advertising, please communications@burnabyminor.com.

CATS' CORNER - Message From Katie!

The Wildcats started the 2021/2022 season by hosting an Esso Fun Day: Burnaby and New West Girls Try Hockey event. The event was a massive success and resulted in many girls choosing to play Wildcats hockey. Thank you to all the parent and coach volunteers who created a positive and welcoming atmosphere for all the families. A special thanks to the Esso Fun Day organizers: Margaret Young, Kelly Liew and Athina Beemish.



The Wildcats' season is up and running. This year we are icing 4 house teams and 2 rep teams at the U11 to U18 division; and 2 U7 and 5 U9 teams; and the first ever Jr. Wildcats team. A huge thank you to the coaches and volunteers who have ensured this season's start-up has gone smoothly.

The Wildcats are also excited to announce that we are hosting the 14th annual Remembrance Day Tournament. This female recreational tournament is always a favourite among teams from near and far. The off-ice portion of the tournament will look a little different this year, but we are looking forward to welcoming female teams from across the lower mainland November 11- 13th.

- Katie

REMEMBRANCE DAY TOURNAMENT - Donations & Sponsors Wanted!

The Burnaby Wildcats Remembrance Day Female Hockey Tournament is being held from November 11-13, 2021 at Burnaby's Scotia Barn (formerly 8 Rinks). We are expecting 40+ teams of 500+ girls (between the age of 7 to 18) from all over the Lower Mainland to participate in this tournament.

As part of our fundraising efforts, we are asking local businesses to consider supporting us by donating to our raffle table or silent auction. This may include gift certificates, gift baskets, weekend getaways, a round of golf, or tickets to events such as hockey games or concerts, etc.



This is a great way to promote your business and your generosity would be very much appreciated!

If you are able to make a donation to our tournament, please email the tournament committee at burnabyfemaletournament@gmail.com.

We will be acknowledging and thanking all our donors in our tournament program and at the tournament.

If you are interested in marketing your business by advertising in our tournament program and/or tournament App, a full page advertisement is \$500.00, half page advertisement is \$250.00, quarter page is \$150 and business card size is \$100.00. The advertisement, regardless of size, will also be featured in our tournament app, which all participants would be using during the tournament.

REMINDERS

NO ICE DATES

There will be number of events taking place that will be impacting the availability of ice. Your coaches and team managers will be able to provide you with information regarding any missed ice times or rescheduled games. The following is the upcoming ice times impacted, but the [Ice Info page](#) of the website will have the latest information.

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| Booking | Date(s) | Arena | Times Not Available |
|---|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| SFU Hockey | Fri Oct.01 | Bill Copeland | • 06:30 - 9:30pm |
| SFU Hockey | Fri Oct.08 | Bill Copeland | • 06:30 - 9:30pm |
| SFU Hockey | Fri Nov.05 | Bill Copeland | • 06:30 - 9:30pm |
| Bby New West Ringette - Ice Breaker Tournament | Thu Nov.11 | Bill Copeland | • 07:30 - 10:45pm |
| | Thu Nov.11 | Burnaby Lake | • 7:30 - 8:45pm |
| | Thu Nov.11 | Kensington | • 7:30 - 9:00pm |
| | Fri Nov.12 | Bill Copeland | • 5:15 - 7:30pm |
| | Fri Nov.12 | Burnaby Lake | • 4:30 - 5:30pm |
| | Sat Nov.13 | Bill Copeland | • 3:15 - 6:15pm • 9:45 - 10:45pm |
| | Sat Nov.13 | Burnaby Lake | • 7:30 - 8:30am • 1:15 - 7:45pm |
| | Sun Nov.14 | Bill Copeland | • 5:15 - 6:45pm |
| | Sun Nov.14 | Burnaby Lake | • 8:30am - 6:15pm |
| Bby Skating Club - Holiday Show | Sat Dec.11 | Kensington | • 12:15 - 2:45pm |
| Last Day of Ice Before Winter Break | Sun Dec.19 | All Rinks | |
| First Day of Ice After Winter Break | Sun Jan.02.2022 | All Rinks | |

DATES TO REMEMBER - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- October 5, 7pm – PCAHA U15 & U18 C Coach/Manager Meeting, virtual via Zoom
 - October 7, 7pm – PCAHA U21 Coach/Manager Meeting, virtual via Zoom
 - November 11 to 13 – Female Remembrance Day Tournament, Scotia Barn
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SPONSORS OFFERS

Welcome to BMHA's newest sponsor, HAPPY LAW!

BMHA is pleased to welcome [Happy Law](#) as our newest sponsor! Paul Anthony Williams, Notary Public, is a home-grown Burnaby resident having attended Seaforth Elementary, Burnaby Central Secondary and SFU! As a notary public, Paul provides a broad range of professional notarial services for people that include: Real Estate Conveyancing, Wills, Powers of Attorney, and notarizations.



Happy Law can help BMHA members with purchasing a home and selling real estate, mortgage refinancing, real estate transfers, transmissions on the death of an owner, and registering documents at the Land Title and Survey Authority of BC. Happy Law's estate planning services include making wills, powers of attorney, and representation agreements. And, they provide notarial services that include certified true copies, affidavits, statutory declarations, proof of life declarations (and those for common-law union and entry into Canada) comprise an essential service that helps people in Burnaby.

For more information about Happy Law and its services, please contact Paul Williams at hello@happyllaw.ca or 604-245-2244.