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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Cheryl Reesor

We've been working hard to build a program families want to be part of, and we thank you for choosing Minor Hockey. BMHA now has 900 players in our association this year!

We welcome back our team officials and all BMHA volunteers. We do have a small support team who contribute many hours for the kids, so we also rely heavily on volunteers to make the season a success. Thank you in advance for all your time that you will dedicate to have a competitive and fun year for the kids!

The season has started off in an unusual way with a reduction of ice and arenas. Your supportive comments and patience have been greatly appreciated. While there is no date for the opening of the new Rosemary Brown arenas, we are very happy the City of Burnaby was able to secure ice by working with Canlan to ease the ice shortage. With new rink boards, glass, ice lines and "Rink 8" in the schedules, calling ScotiaBarn "8 Rinks" is once again something we will hear often. Kensington Arena will reopen for ice user groups in September of 2024, with fingers crossed. A special shout out and thank you to BMHA's Ice Allocator Angela Sam for all the work she has done with ice scheduling and rescheduling, several times over.

Delivery of Development has also been impacted by ice availability. Development for U9 and under has been taking place during regular team practice times. Additional development camps are being scheduled on stat holidays and Burnaby School District professional days. This is a creative solution to finding ice outside of BMHA's usual allocation and these programs sold out the same day registration opened.

Sean Murray is also delivering goalie development for BMHA goalies in a goalie camp format. As part of BMHA's Goalie Plan, we announced our U11 and U13 Outside Goalie Development reimbursement incentive. The "Goalie Discount" policy outlining this reimbursement incentive is in its final draft, and we look forward to sharing all the details. We need goalies for the game, and BMHA is dedicated to supporting our goalies and their families through BMHA's Plan.

The Coach, Safety and Managers' meetings will take place October 18th. There is a new Hockey Canada policy that was released September 12th. While BC Hockey, nor PCAHA have had an opportunity to reflect on this new policy in their own, BMHA will do its best to support and implement the new HC Policy right away. At the heart of the policy is a message of inclusion for all players. Procedures for implementation will follow as soon as possible.

Wishing you an amazing season ahead!



2023-2024 REP COACHES

U11 A1

Head Coach: Jason Scoffins

U11 A2

Head Coach: Nicholas Scaglione

Assistant Coaches: Gurveer

Maghera, Billy Johal, Brandon Johal

U13 A1

Head Coach: Lance Bourne

Assistant Coaches: Matthew Ponis,
Joseph Santalucia

U13 A2

Head Coach: Ken Guthrie

Assistant Coaches: James Cooper,
Daniel DallaPace

U13 A3

Head Coach: Iqbal Athwal

U15 A1

Head Coach: Drago Adams

Assistant Coaches: Kelvin Fong,
Daniel Fong, Izayah Rahiman

U15 A2

Head Coach: Graeme Laturnus

Assistant Coaches: John Lazazzera,
Lynden Harte

U18 A1

Head Coach: Ken Guthrie

Assistant Coaches: Quinn Mah,
Eammon Cheung, Adam Markovic

U18 A2

Head Coach: Matt Shong

Assistant Coaches: Matt Chang,
Miles Liu, Aneal Thouli

C Hockey News

Keith Renfrey - Director of C Divisions

There is a great deal of work in the early parts of the season. Organizing assessments, ice times and helping get every team ready for the regular season is part of the Division Managers role. We have a great team in place and I would like to extend my thanks on behalf of all of the C teams.

For U11C, I strongly encourage parents to read up on the Hockey Canada Pathways program and what it means for your child's development. We are happy to have more games this year on the schedule than last year.

Every division has been lucky to have strong parent volunteers stepping up for coaching, team manager and safety persons for each of our teams. Team balancing is continuing and we look forward to a season of great play for the kids with many teams looking to attend tournaments this year.

From all divisions, we would like to thank parents for their patience while we juggle ice times in waiting and preparation for the new rinks to open. Our Division Managers are working so hard to keep all teams balanced and provide as much ice time to each team as we have available.

I would like to extend my appreciation to all team staff and parents for all of your hard work, and for continually encouraging our children to work hard, be good teammates and most importantly - have fun!

UPCOMING DATES

October 18 - BMHA Coaches Meeting 6:00 - 7:00pm via Zoom

October 18 - BMHA HCSP Meeting 7:15 - 8:15pm via Zoom

October 18 - BMHA Managers Meeting 8:30 - 9:30pm via Zoom

November 11 to 13 - Wildcats Female Remembrance Day Tournament

November 18 & 19 - Picture Day

December 1 - Deadline for all "A" coaches to be certified

December 1 - Deadline for all Safety Persons to be certified

December 15 - Deadline for all "C" coaches to be certified

December 27 to 31 - Pat Quinn Classic Tournament

Female Hockey News

Katie Larson - Director of Female Hockey

The Wildcats season is off and running! We have a record number of teams this year- 17! This year also marks the first time the Wildcats have rostered a U18A team! Female hockey is growing and going strong in Burnaby!

We are extending a warm welcome to all of our new families and would like to introduce our Division Managers for the season:

U5/U7- Janelle Stutheit

U9- Louisa Stanlake

U11- Athina Beemish

U13- U18- Kelli Tibbles

We are very excited to have a number of female parent and non-parent female coaches working with our teams this year:

Arlena Ballarin - Head Coach Wildcats U7C2

Mia Fitzpatrick- Co-Head Coach U11C1

Joanne Watson- Assistant Coach U11C4

Keasha Dahlsteadt- Co-Head Coach U13C1 (and Wildcats Alumni!)

Laura DeSantis- Co-Head Coach U15A1

Jessie Martin- Assistant Coach U15A1

Heidi Pezzotti- Assistant Coach U18C1



Laura DeSantis U15A1



Mia Fitzpatrick U11C1



Jessie Martin U15A1



Keasha Dahlsteadt U13C1

Another Successful Esso Fun Day

On August 20th, the Wildcats hosted our annual summer session of Esso Fun Day. The event was held at Moody Park Arena in New Westminster. The Esso Fun Day committee organized gear, coaches and activities for over 40 girls who were trying hockey for the first time. It was great to see so many from the Wildcats community spend a Sunday afternoon helping facilitate the event. Special thanks to all the on and off-ice volunteers, especially the Esso Fun Day committee: Margaret Young, Kelly Liew and Katie Larson.



In addition to our female bench staff, U5 to U13C Wildcats are receiving female-led and female-focused development. Coaches Laura DeSantis, Neale Quan, and Mia Fitzpatrick are working with the U5 to U9 Wildcats. Laura DeSantis has coached both the U13A and U15A Wildcats, and works with Fire and Ice Development. Neale Quan has coached with BMHA since 2012, leading both Wildcats and Bulldogs A teams. Mia Fitzpatrick is a high performance referee and brings a wealth of experience from her days playing female hockey in Ontario. The U11 and U13 C teams are receiving development from Empower Hockey. Empower is run by Cornell University Alumni and two-sport varsity athlete, Melanie Jue, and BMHA and Princeton alumni as well as team China Olympian goalie, Kimberly Newell



Congratulations to BMHA female Alumni Playing in the BCEHL

The Wildcats and the rest of BMHA wish to congratulate the BMHA female alumni who are playing on the U18AAA teams this year. Best of luck Kirsten, Emily and Carolyn- we look forward to seeing your success with the Comets and the Rush!



Kirsten Lai is going into her third season with the Greater Vancouver Comets



Emily Chan is playing her third season of U18AAA; second season with the Fraser Valley Rush



Carolyn Koo is playing her first fulltime season with the Fraser Valley Rush

Call for Donations! 16th Annual Burnaby Wildcats Remembrance Day Tournament

The Wildcats are very excited to be hosting the 16th Annual Remembrance Day Hockey Tournament at Scotia Barn November 11th through 13th. A fixture in the lower mainland female hockey calendar, we are expecting over 50 teams and 850 athletes from as far away as Whitehorse to be joining us. We are looking for donations and tournament sponsors! Donations make up a big part of our popular raffle and silent auction. We've also launched a new tournament sponsorship program and are looking for companies to participate in our Platinum to Bronze sponsorship program. If you would like to make a donation or know any companies that would be interested in being a tournament sponsor, please reach out to Willa at willahcheng@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you!



16TH ANNUAL FEMALE REMEMBRANCE DAY TOURNAMENT

Kick-start your hockey year and join in one of North America's largest Female Hockey Tournaments!

November 11 - 13, 2023
Scotia Barn - Burnaby
U9, U11C, U13C, U15C, U18C

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

A Hockey News

Wendy Godfrey - Director of Rep

Rep Tryouts for the U13 to U18 divisions commenced on August 26th, while our U11 tryouts kicked off immediately after Labor Day. This year posed some unique challenges, primarily due to the shortage of ice time resulting from the delayed opening of Rosemary Brown and the temporary closure of Kensington Arena for essential maintenance. Additionally, we faced a shortage of goalies, prompting us to devise innovative goalie assignments and introduce new goalie incentives. In some instances, certain rep teams could only accommodate a single goalie to ensure there were enough goalies for our house teams.

Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to the parents who stepped up to supervise the dressing rooms and players on the benches during scrimmage games. Special thanks to Sandra Alviar and Marie Kazuta for their invaluable assistance in player check-in and cleanup efforts throughout the tryout process. A big shoutout to our Development team, whose dedication and countless hours invested in tryouts, setting up independent evaluators, pre-ice sessions, HP (High Performance) training, and Rust Removal camps have not gone unnoticed.

I would like to extend a special acknowledgement to Zachary Alviar and Micaela Godfrey, who, despite having no direct ties to BMHA beyond their siblings, consistently answered the call to assist. Both recently graduated from high school and embarked on their post-secondary journeys, likely assuming their volunteering days were behind them. Yet, Zachary managed to complete his Lifeguarding course and exam while still making time to be present at the rink to run the clock for all scrimmage games and check-in duties. Meanwhile, Micaela Godfrey successfully balanced school and a full-time job, all the while contributing to various tasks such as assigning pinnie numbers, organizing sign-in sheets and evaluation forms, and handling food logistics for evaluators, the development team, and dedicated coaches who devoted numerous hours to the rink each day. THANK YOU to both of you; your unwavering support is truly appreciated. See you next year - lol! Lastly, I would like to extend a HUGE thank you to our Ice Allocator, Angela, who tirelessly revised schedules countless times to accommodate as many teams as possible for tryouts, house team balancing, practices, and game ice allocations.



BMHA is lucky to have local business owners in our Association supporting our athletes!

Luong Tran grew up playing minor hockey in Burnaby. He now enjoys watching his children play and fall in love with the sport. Luong and his Associates at Burnaby Heights Physiotherapy would love to help you with any injuries so you can quickly return to the activities you love!

BurnabyHeightsPhysio.ca

REP DM for the 2023-2024 Season

Louise Tagulao has graciously accepted the role of our RepDM for this year. You can count on her to be the primary point of contact for managers to send you correspondence about the season or if you simply have questions regarding the season.

Feel free to reach out to her at repdm@burnabyminor.com



Congratulations to former BMHA players who made BCEHL and Junior teams



ENVER CHAN
PJHL JUNIOR A
GRANDVIEW STEELERS



COLBY LONGEAU
PJHL JUNIOR A
GRANDVIEW STEELERS



MATTHEW NG
PJHL JUNIOR A
PORT COQUITLAM TRAILBLAZERS

LUCAS CRESCENZO

"THE PANTHERS HAVE A
STRONG REPUTATION FOR
PLAYER DEVELOPMENT AND
HELPING THEIR PLAYERS REACH
THE NEXT LEVEL."



x Lucas Crescenzo



LUCAS CRESCENZO
PJHL JUNIOR A
PORT MOODY PANTHERS

DANE PAULIC

"AM GRATEFUL FOR THE
OPPORTUNITY TO BOTH
CONTRIBUTE AND FURTHER
DEVELOP WITHIN SUCH A
GREAT ORGANIZATION."



x Dane Paulic



DANE PAULIC
PJHL JUNIOR A
PORT MOODY PANTHERS



TROY WANSINK
PJHL JUNIOR A
SURREY KNIGHTS



ZEYAN WALJI
U15AAA
VANCOUVER NE CHIEFS

JAVYN JAWANDHA
U15AAA
VANCOUVER N2 HAWKS

Javyn Jawandha and Zeyan Walji have been with BMHA from the onset. Zeyan started with BMHA at the age of 5 in H1. Javyn started with BMHA at the age of 7 in H3. They were teammates last year on the BMHA U15A1 team. Recently they faced each other in a U15AAA BCEHL Showcase event for the first time as members of Vancouver NE U15AAA Chiefs (Zeyan in Red) and Vancouver NW U15AAA Hawks (Javyn in black).