

"Hockey Players with goals succeed because they know where they're Going."

It is hard to believe that 7 months has passed since the beginning of this hockey season and things are winding down. Although many of our players, and teams had reason to celebrate, such as learning to skate, creating new friendships, improving their skills and winning that exciting game or series, our organization will celebrate this season on Thursday, April 17 at our banquet. Even though Championships are not the only reason to celebrate, I would however like to take this opportunity to recognize the success of two of our teams this season. Congratulations to both our Atom Rep and Atom AE teams for their success at both the International Silver Stick and the OMHA Championships.

Respect in Sports for Parents Program

Beginning for the 2014-2015 hockey season, the OMHA is making it mandatory that one parent/guardian for each player registered within the OMHA (which is all of MMHA) take the Respect in Sport - Parent edition by August 31, 2014. The course can be completed online. If the course is not completed prior to Aug 31, 2014 the Registrar will be unable to roster your child to a team. It is a one hour online course, with a cost of just under \$14.00 (with taxes in) (MMHA WILL NOT be reimbursing for this course). Please do not wait until the last minute to complete the course. You can find the link below to get more information and find out about the course. Please remember, that this course is different than the RIS for bench staff and everyone will need to take this course.

http://www.omha.net/page/show/ 885493-clinics

Summertime

Although there are many opportunities to build your hockey skills throughout the summer months; like participating in hockey camps or power skating, the summer also provides many opportunities for our youth to remain active and participate in other activities. Taking some time away from the rink and playing other sports which are provided throughout the area, or just playing with friends or relaxing with the family is great for building other skills.

In Closing

We are pleased to announce that there will not be any fee increases for the 2014-2015 hockey season.

It was great to see so many smiling faces at our Tyke banquet before the March Break and the support from our new coaches and parents to the MMHA organization. Thank you for your patience with the players and the progress they made throughout the year was fantastic. As another hockey season closes, I would again like to thank all of our coaches, executive, sponsors and other volunteers for all the time they spend in order for our youth to participate in the exciting sport of hockey. Giving them the opportunity to remain active, build relationships with their peers and learn valuable skills in order to carry forward in their futures. I would like to wish all of our graduating players and coaches best of luck in their future endeavors. I hope that their experience with MMHA is one that they will cherish. Your time and efforts with the organization is much appreciated.

Please continue to visit the Midland Minor Hockey website for any information about registration and opportunities to volunteer to support our hockey players. Yours in Hockey, Adam Schaap MMHA President

Dates to Remember

April 6 - Hockey Canada Skills Camp April 17 - Hockey Banquet May 27 - MMHA AGM

April 3 - On-line Registration begins April - Permission to skate forms May 15 - Deadline for Early registration discount