

www.midlandminorhockey.ca

<u>www.miaianaminornockey.ca</u>

"Unity is strength...when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved." - Mattie Stepanek

WOW!! 348-223-59. That's a lot of games and success for MMHA this 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 also like to thank the Arena staff for all their support, time and effort to keep the arena, ice and facilities in superb condition. 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. Our organization will celebrate this season on Thursday, May 11 at our banquet.

Summertime

Although there are many opportunities to build your hockey skills throughout the summer months; 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.

Volunteers

A huge thank you to all the volunteers. Without our coaches and Executive, MMHA would not be as successful as it is. MMHA is always looking for volunteers to be part of our Executive, as well as coaching staff. MMHA will reimburse volunteers for the required courses, when they are rostered to a team or volunteer to be on the Executive. Please email any of the Executive if you have questions.

Referees Needed

There is a need for referees for MMHA. The number of referees is slowly declining, and there has not been as many replacements over the past couple of years. If you are

over the age of 16 and are at all interested in becoming a referee for the 2017-18 season, please follow our website in Late August - early September or email the OMHA Rep. Training courses will be offered in September for new officials.

In Closing

It has been a pleasure and honour to be MMHA President for the past 4 years. I have had the privilege to volunteer alongside so many quality individuals that care so much about the youth in our Community. It is a great joy watching the players participate in a game they love, build friendships, and learn about respect and the importance of teamwork. I would like to say a special thank-you to the Executive Members past, present and future that have shared their ideas, insights, and spent so many hours volunteering their time.

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

Dates to Remember

April 1 - On-line Registration begins

May 11 - MMHA Hockey Banquet

May - MMHA AGM

April 1 - PTS/NRP forms available

April 3-5 - 2017-18 Rep Coaches Announced

May 25 - Deadline for Early registration discount