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Dear Members of the Ilderton Minor Hockey Association:

Some of you may or may not be aware of the trying times the board of directors for the IMHA has gone through over the past couple of years. More recently, the dissolution of the executive leading to the election of a new board mid-season has been an arduous process. In spite of the turmoil, your new board accepted the challenge and accomplished a great deal in a short period of time. Along with running our hockey program, we have rewritten the IMHA Bylaws and Rules of Operation, completed a successful fundraising event and most importantly, we are very happy to report that there is closure on the issues surrounding the lottery. That said, we are still seeking a solution for new lottery next year as fundraising plays a critical role in the success of our mandate and will continue to be in the years ahead.

The board has to address a mistake that was made on our 2014/15 registration form. It was stated on this form that members would be issued tickets for a draw to be held this year. Unfortunately, due to a misunderstanding of the township and government policies dating back to 2010 a lottery license will not be granted for this year. As a result of this the IMHA is further prohibited from holding a lottery for a one year term, however, the IMHA will be allowed to reapply for a lottery license once the year has passed.

In light of this sanction, the organization cannot hold a draw this year and the board has come to the conclusion that there will not be refunds made to members. The rationale for this decision is to keep hockey fees reasonable and avoid having a large increase going into next season.

We are always seeking ideas to improve and provide the best hockey experience for our children while keeping the cost affordable for families. Please do not hesitate to email myself or Craig Little, IMHA secretary if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Rob Andrews
President, IMHA