**2019-2020 IMHA Board of Directors Reports**

***President, Todd Copeland*** – To be shared at the AGM

***Vice President & Director of LM – Brian Heessels-*** Ilderton had 8 House League teams in the Lambton Middlesex Local League (LMLL) this past season, from Minor Novice to Midget.

Overall the teams did very well, the Peewee LM team won their Division Championship and the Bantam LM team won the Regional Silver Stick Tournament.

The LMLL adapted additional rules this past year, above what OMHA already has to try to make hockey fun and safe. The main rule was to remove players from the game that received 8 minutes in one game, and if it happens 3 times in a year, they are suspended for 3 games. This rule was for Peewee and above and the good news is Ilderton is one of very few Centres that didn’t have any players receive this penalty. Congrats.

***Treasurer, Randy Sheaves -*** It pleases me to say the Ilderton Minor Hockey Association is in a good financial position thanks to the work and fiscal responsibility of your current and previous boards.

It has been understood that the association should be holding 3 months expenses as an emergency fund. This past season, the board moved $80,000 into a short term GIC.  These funds are our emergency fund should the need occur. This move also generates a small revenue stream which matures annually.

With the addition of Quickbooks and PlayPay our finances are a lot easier to track.  In addition to this, our handling of cash has been reduced drastically in recent years.  FordKeast (our independent auditor) continues to approve of the processes we have in place, and the changes we are making.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please reach out to me directly.

***Director of OMHA, Candace Philpitt –*** Although the season did not end the way we had all hoped or expected, I would like to say congratulations to all teams on their 2019/2020 season. A special congratulation to our Peewee Shamrock CC team who made it to the last round of the OMHA finals. Although they didn't get a chance to play that series against the Frontenac Flyers, they were named as Co-Champions. Congrats to the players and coaching staff!

Once we get the green light to start the season in whatever format is deemed as safe for everyone, please remember the following:

If your child is new to Ilderton (IDP level), please ensure that you have submitted their birth certificate and complete the parent respect in sport. Your child can not be rostered to a team until this is completed.

If you plan to be considered as a coach or be part of the bench staff, please ensure that you have completed all the necessary certifications. For coaches, you will require your coaching certification, gender identity, respect in sport (leader, not parent). For any bench staff, you will require gender identity, respect in sport (leader, not parent) and if you are a trainer your HRCP certification. If you are not sure what certifications you have you can log into your hockey Canada profile to check. Please also note that some certifications expire so you may need to recertify. Don't assume that you have all the certifications; please take the time to check. You will not be able to be rostered to a team until all certifications are complete. If you do need to recertify, please ensure that is completed as soon as possible, once the season starts. If these certifications are not completed, it delays the ability to have rosters approved and you risk not being able to be rostered to a team.

If there are any questions in regards to this process, please feel free to contact me.

***Director of Shamrock League, Scott Parker –*** Our Shamrock teams this season had a great thing going when hockey was abruptly halted due to COVID-19.  All of our teams improved over the course of the season, which showed in the playdowns and playoffs.   All teams were either in the Shamrock Semifinals or OMHA Semifinals/Finals.

Here is how the 6 Shamrock teams faired this season….

Atom C – Shamrock Semis

Atom AE – Shamrock Semis

PeeWee C – OMHA Champions

PeeWee AE – OMHA Semis

Bantam C – Shamrock Semis

Midget C – Shamrock Semis

***Director of Equipment, Chris Dixon -*** Role of the Equipment Manager on the board on a yearly basis:

Apply for and distribute Tim Hortons Tim Bit jerseys.

Track and look after all sizes of nets, foam dividers, and half boards.

Logging, fixing, purchasing and distribution of goalie equipment.

Ordering of Ilderton Jets socks and collecting of funds from socks.

Purchasing and selling of pins, pucks, stickers, jet bags etc.

Signing out and returning of team jerseys.

Repair and replacement of team jerseys.

Helping out with any needs that various teams may need during the year.

***Director of Development, Mike Harding -*** From the development standpoint we went in a different direction this year. IMHA thought it would be better use of money and to give each coach $300 for what they thought it would be best used for. This was the first year that we have done this and it wasn’t used effectively. We need to continue to brainstorm some better/different ways to continue to develop our players the best we can.Snipe academy wanted to use IMHA ice to do a project skill development and we worked with them to try and grow this. We had a lot of great hockey people come on this year to work with different ages and skill sets. I think this is a good system but just needs to be communicated to the coaches a little better. Player development is very important and something IMHA takes very seriously and we to continue to work together and put the best system for the players of IMHA.

***Director of WOGHL, Paul Walkom*** – In the 2019/2020 Season IMHA was able to maintain the number of our OWHA Teams, registering nine (9) teams to play in either the Lower Lakes Female Hockey League (LLFHL) or the Western Ontario Girls Hockey League (WOGHL).

The first season of Novice Half Ice to Full Ice in OWHA went very well, so with a year of experience and valuable feedback we will be working with the leagues to make it even better in the upcoming season(s).

***Ice Convenor, Grant McNair*** – Some points to share from the past season:

* We cut back on some of the Saturday ice in Komoka and doubled up some younger teams in anneffort to save costs and to mitigate the potential to burn ice.  This seemed to work in our favour and we will continue this in future.
* We also contunied our practice of sharing Ilderton ice and Komoka Ice so that one tram wasnt put out more than others, end everone got to play on our homenice in Ilderton.
* The Midget teams still utilized is in Huron Park.  This centre works with us at the end of season to give back unneeded ice which in turn saves money.

***Director of Fundraising & Sponsorship, Trish Brennan –*** The fundraising committee held 3 major fundraisers this year, that were all very successful. We had our Lucan Irish Junior C game in November, our annual online silent auction in December and our hockey day in Ilderton in February. Thank you to the committee for all their hard work, and the membership for supporting our events.

***Secretary, Tichelle Schram –*** Congratulations to all the players and coaching staff for another great season of IMHA hockey. This past season, my role has included documenting all meeting held my IMHA board members and posting onto the IMHA website. Any correspondence is received by myself and distributed to the appropriate director. Clearance of all volunteers by way of a current Vulnerable Sector Check is maintained by the secretary. These checks are can be accepted by IMHA for 3 years, so if you are considering coaching, please get yours completed early in the season.