



YOUR TEAM SCENE

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New!

Welcome to the first edition of Your Team Scene for 2016.

We hope you had a great holiday season and wish you all the best for the New Year.

Now that we're back on the ice after the holiday break, we've a number of news items and some important information to communicate to you.

In addition, we'd like to invite all MHL teams to send us team news or fundraising promotions to include in our monthly newsletters under our new section – Team Talk. Send your write-up and photos to wendy_webster@hotmail.com under the subject Team Talk.

The MHL is also currently working on other social media platforms – Facebook and Twitter – so stay tuned.

As we wrap up the regular season and look forward to the playoffs, we hope all our players and parents are enjoying our great game.

See you in the rinks!

MHL Survey

Emails went out last week regarding our annual survey (also available on the MHL website). Please take the couple of minutes to provide us with your feedback to help us make the Mississauga Hockey League THE league to play in!

Please go to:
<http://hockey.on.ca/we-need-your-feedback>

MHL Challenge Tournament

The MHL is looking for teams in the following divisions to participate in this tournament to be held at the Hershey Centre from April 7-10:

- Minor Novice and Novice House League
- Minor Atom and Atom House League
- Minor Atom and Atom Select (Red)
- Minor Pee wee and Pee wee Select (Red)

It's a great way to end your season. Please go to the MHL website, under Promotions and Events for more information.



Lorne Park Hockey Association

Assists Santa with a Haul of Toys for Christmas



On Friday, December 11th, the NHL Stars & the Peel Regional Police All Stars faced off against the Lorne Park Hockey Association Coaches in a charity hockey game in support of the Peel Regional Police Toys for Tots Program presented by LPHA & MGA International.

NHL Stars Darryl Sittler, Gary Leeman, Brad May, Bob McGill, Ric Nattress & Bernie Nichols were on hand at Iceland Arena, along with special guests Don Cherry, former Mayor Hazel McCallion, Ward 1 Counsellor Jim Tovey & MHL President Brian Webster.

The event was able to raise over \$5500 & 500 plus toys for children in our community who are in need. Four lucky fans also had the chance to win a new car in the "Shoot for a Car Contest" sponsored by WhiteOak Ford Lincoln.

Past President and event organizer, Mike Doyle would like to send a special thank you to all the event sponsors & volunteers who really stepped up to make this event possible and to the staff at Iceland Arena for all their assistance.

IMPORTANT NEWS FOR PARENTS

Respect in Sport Program for Parents

Effective for the 2016-17 season, the **Ontario Hockey Federation has mandated** the Respect in Sport program for parents in all their minor hockey partner programs. This program is the same one in effect in the OMHA for the last couple of years. It was designed to educate parents around issues of bullying, abuse, harassment and discrimination and promote "a global culture of respect".

Players can only participate in a minor hockey program if a parent or guardian has completed the online certification. The cost is expected to be \$12.

For further information, please go to <http://www.ohf.on.ca/news/respect-sport-parent-program-rolling-out>.

Inclement Weather Policy

In instances when the jurisdiction of the Mississauga Hockey League is subjected to severe weather that requires consideration of the cancellation of MHL League games, the following notification procedure will be followed:

- Any decision relating to the cancellation of games will be made by 3pm on a weeknight, or two hours prior to the commencement of League games on a weekend.
- If a decision is made to cancel games, the MHL will forward notification through the following means:
 - Notification of Area Association Presidents and
 - Posting on the MHL website -on weekdays, any cancellation of games will be posted on the MHL website the moment the decision to cancel games is made.
- Parents and team officials are requested NOT to call the MHL office or City Facilities about the potential cancellation of games.
- The official notification system is via the MHL website and email. In the absence of a cancellation notice being posted on the MHL website by 3:00pm on weekdays or 2 hours before the scheduled game on weekends parents, players and teams should assume that the League games will be played as scheduled.

Most importantly, the MHL encourages parents to leave enough time to arrive safely and drive according to the weather conditions.

Please remember to do the MHL Survey!

Champs!



ER73 Erindale Pee wee White Spitfires win at London

The Erindale Pee wee White Spitfires 73 came home undefeated from The Neil Barker Tournament this past weekend. They played five games, with three shutouts, and two close games in the semis and finals. The final game was won with three minutes left in overtime! The final score of 2-1 clinched the Championship!



PC 092 Port Credit Bantam White win at London

Port Credit Bantam White – 092, was in London this past week-end (January 8 – 10) and won the Jayden Elmore Memorial Tournament.

In the finals they defeated the Mount Forest Rams 3 – 0.

Congratulations to the team, coaching staff, and families!



Lorne Park Super Six Ojibwa win at Scarborough

The Lorne Park Super Six team won the Don Montgomery Memorial Minor Novice tournament championship in Scarborough, ON this past weekend. The Ojibwa defeated the Scarborough Ice Raiders in the championship finals on Sunday.

Huge congratulations to the players and coaches on a job well done and a big thank you to all the fans who supported the team through out the tournament.



CO091 Cooksville Bantam Red Phantoms win at Victoria Village

The Cooksville Phantoms Bantam Red team started the year off right, playing six games in three days and leaving champions. After a disappointing shootout loss to Brampton in the round robin forced the team to miss the bye and play a quarter final, the boys responded with their best hockey of the season, defeating Burlington 5-0 to advance to the semi finals. Here they met Brampton once again and won 4-1 to move to the finals and a game against the undefeated host team, Victoria Village. In the end, an empty net goal cemented the game as a 3-1 victory for Cooksville making them the Inaugural Victoria Village tournament Champions. Congratulations to all the Cooksville families!



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Referee's Corner

Head Contact Penalties

As set by Hockey Canada and the GTHL penalty standards, the objective is to reduce head injuries by eliminating contact with an opponent's head. Referees are trained to assess the strictest penalties that apply when considering head contact scenarios.

- Rule 6.5(a): Accidental contact (without injury) with stick, body or equipment to an opponent's head, face or neck = Minor penalty for Head Contact
- Rule 6.5(b): Intentional contact with stick, body or equipment to an opponent's head, face or neck = Double Minors (2+ 2) or Major + Game Misconduct (5 + GM) for Head Contact.
- Classes of penalties assessed for intentional Head Contact are based on the degree of violence of impact. If the force of the impact is totally absorbed by protective equipment then no real risk of injury exists and Double Minors (2+ 2) only shall be assessed. If the force of the impact is NOT totally absorbed by protective equipment there is a real risk of injury and, therefore a Major + Game Misconduct (5 + GM) shall be assessed.
- Rule 6.5(d): Any Head Contact that results in Injury = Major + Game Misconduct (if unintentional) or Match penalty (if intentional). Signs and symptoms of injury include but are not limited to: Loss of consciousness, loss of coordination, inability to focus, laceration (a cut), bleeding nose, loss of equilibrium, slow or slurred speech, dazed or stunned demeanour, delayed response to questions, and broken tooth. With increased education around concussion symptoms, referees are more likely to assess on the basis of injury than in the past.
- Rule 6.5(e): Head Contact that is a Deliberate Attempt to Injure = Match penalty
- Situations involving head contact are often difficult to evaluate without the benefit of video replay. In borderline cases where the Referee is conflicted as to which penalties to assess, Referees are to issue the strictest set of penalties that may apply.

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How you can help fulfill their potential - off the ice

Your children may be dreaming of the hockey gear they'll need next season, or how college, university, or even grad school will help them learn valuable academic and life skills.

Learning to manage money and how to off-set the cost of tuition will be an important discussion you have together. But whatever their academic choices, at Scotiabank, we've got the resources that can help them live up to their full potential.

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More Champs!



ER 031 Erindale Novice Red Spitfires win at Schomberg

Congratulations to Erindale Spitfires Novice Red 31 who won the Red and White Novice Tournament in Schomberg held on January 2- 3, 2016. The team went 3-0 in the round robin winning their division and advancing to the finals against the Bradford Bulls.

Both teams played a very fast paced action packed game and in the end remained undefeated taking home individual trophies for a well-deserved win.

Congratulations to all the players and parents for their support.



PC 093 Port Credit Bantam White Storm win at Niagara Falls

Port Credit Bantam White won the Al Boone Memorial Tournament in Niagara Falls held between Christmas and New Year's. The team went 3-0 in the round robin to advance to the semi-final versus Niagara Falls, down 1-0 late in the game with the extra attacker on, they tied the game to force overtime, where they scored the winner.

In the finals they faced Meadowvale's Red team. After 3 periods a scoreless tie, led to overtime which led to a shoot out. A 5 player shoot-out to decide the winner. PC's last shooter won the game and tournament.

Congratulations to all the players and parents for their support.



ME 041 Meadowvale Minor Atom Hawks win at Victoria Village

TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS!! The Meadowvale Hawks Minor Atom Red team ME041 had a terrific weekend (Jan 1-4) going undefeated in five games and winning the inaugural Victoria Village 2016 Select Invitational Tournament.



CL 020 Clarkson Minor Novice Gold Hurricanes win at Brantford

Congratulations to the Clarkson Hurricanes Minor Novice Gold team who won the finals at the Wayne Gretzky International Tournament this past weekend.

After the round robin play the boys were seeded 2nd overall out of 14 teams They then beat London Bandits in the quarter finals 2-0. Then beat a very tough Kitchener Rangers 2-1 in the semi finals. The Championship game Clarkson was able to secure a 3-2 win over a very good West London Hawks team.

The best part Walter Gretzky was in attendance to present the boys their medals.



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Player Information:

<input type="checkbox"/> SQUIRT 2010-2011-2012	<input type="checkbox"/> TYKE 2008-2009	<input type="checkbox"/> NOVICE 2006-2007	<input type="checkbox"/> ATOM 2004-2005	<input type="checkbox"/> PEEWEE 2002-2003
<input type="checkbox"/> BANTAM 2000-2001	<input type="checkbox"/> JUNIOR 1998-1999			

NAME:		BIRTH DATE: (D) ___ / (M) ___ / (YR) ___	
ADDRESS:		CITY:	PC:

Parent Information:

NAME:	EMAIL:
HOME #:	CELL #:

Questions, Volunteers & Sponsorship:

1. Has your child ever played ice hockey? ___ if yes, which level AAA AA A SELECT HOUSELEAGUE
2. Child is a: Player Goalie
3. Did child play ball hockey previously? ___ if yes, which program _____
4. Do you wish to assist? Coach Timekeeper Sponsor (see below)
5. Does your child have any friends / relatives they wish to play with?
6. Please note the individuals and maximum of two and corresponding application must match:

The Selection Committee will attempt to place child with friends and/or relatives. Players should be encouraged to play at appropriate age group. The MMBHL is committed towards the promotion of Fun, Fair play and Good Sportsmanship. The MMBHL will reserve the right to re-align team rosters as needed in order to create evenly balanced divisions at all ages.

Sponsorship Plans: One (1) free registration included with all sponsorship plans. Please inquire for information.

Registration Fee: \$179.99 Early Bird: \$159.99 (before FEB. 14TH)
Learn To Play Program: \$119.99

Family Plan – Save \$10 for every additional child registered.

Received by: _____ Cash Cheque # _____ Payable to: Mississauga Minor Ball Hockey League

Visa MC # _____ Exp: _____ CVT#: _____

Waiver:

In consideration of the Mississauga Minor Ball Hockey League (MMBHL) permitting the player to participate in any of the activities of the MMBHL, I, for myself, my family, heirs, successors, and executors hereby indemnify and hold harmless the MMBHL, it's directors, officers, successors, and assigns, from all costs, claims, actions, damages, or liabilities, whatever their nature or however caused, resulting from the participation of the player in any activities of the MMBHL.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

MISSISSAUGA STEELHEADS NEWS



SPORTSNET TAKEOVER!

The Mississauga Steelheads are excited to announce that our games on January 17th and 24th will be broadcast live on national TV. Sportsnet's will be airing the games, beginning at 3pm each day. No matter how you support the Steelheads, whether in-person or by watching on TV, we truly appreciate it! Let's make sure we show the country that the OHL is thriving in Mississauga!



DECEMBER FOOD DRIVE UPDATE

Last month, the MHL and the Steelheads teamed up to 'Shutout Hunger'. Together with your help we were able to donate 6 barrels of food to the Mississauga Food Bank! Congratulations to the **Erindale Spitfires** who donated the most food of any association and won the right to have our players join them on the ice for a practice. We really appreciate all the support!

Looking to get your team involved as our Flag Team or Fan Tunnel participants? Hoping to reward a player on your team with **free tickets** to a game as our Kia Minor Hockey Player of the Game?

Please email Matthew at: mappleby@mississaugasteelheads.com

For ticket information call: 905-502-7788



Team Talk!



Midget Team throws its support behind injured team parent

On September 15th, 2015, Chris Johne was struck by a car while riding his bicycle in his neighbourhood, rendering him a quadriplegic. His son's hockey team has started a Gofundme account to help support Chris and his family. To date they have raised over \$21,000. The Clarkson Hurricanes Midget Red team is asking for any MHL members who would like to help to consider donating to the fund at <https://www.gofundme.com/chrisjohne>. Any fundraising activities to help them reach their goal of \$100,000 would be greatly appreciated.

Team Challenge: Adopt A Seniors' Home!

Meadowvale Minor Hockey's ME51 Atom Red issues a challenge to hockey teams across Canada to spread some hockey cheer this winter. Many seniors would love to come to hockey games, but need to be invited and given a schedule. Larger, reputable seniors' homes have a bus, trained staff and an Activity Coordinator to transport and accompany seniors who are mobile and interested in outings. If your arena isn't very accessible or comfortable, they can choose to watch away games. Seniors can attend on a drop-in basis, depending on weather.



4 EASY STEPS:

1. Call a Senior's Home and ask the Activity Coordinator/Manager if they've been adopted by a local hockey team yet. Larger homes may welcome more than 1 team.
2. The Manager or Coach should make an appointment to visit the Senior's Home to meet with the Executive Director and/or Activity Coordinator to introduce your team, and discuss expectations and policies. Pictures may not be permitted due to resident confidentiality.
3. Plan 2 visits with your team to the Senior's Home to chat and play cards and board games. Some homes welcome friendly, social dogs (dog therapy). Call first to find out.
4. Invite residents to watch some of your games this season. Your Manager or Coach should provide the schedule and revisions to the Activity Coordinator.

Getting minor hockey players together with seniors who love Canada's game is magical. Many seniors have played hockey in the past, or have fond memories of listening to hockey on the radio or watching games on tv. This is a win-win for youth and seniors.

The idea came from Liz Wilson-Ciconte, Meadowvale's Publicity Director, who approached the Board with the idea late last season. It occurred to Liz that if hockey teams "adopted" retirement homes, it would be a great way to bring the generations together. Why stop at hockey teams? We challenge all sports/activity organizations to adopt as well. Soccer, baseball, dance, gymnastics... the sky's the limit. Let's get seniors out and about in our community having fun, enjoying activities, sharing stories and creating special memories with our kids.

"Involving our community has always been important to Meadowvale Minor Hockey Association," shares Steve Johnston, Acting President. "We firmly believe that connecting and building relationships at the local level makes Meadowvale a unique association. We invite teams across the country to embrace this initiative so that people of all ages can enjoy our great game."

Are you up for the challenge? Get your team onboard and make some local seniors happy this hockey season!

** Some retirement homes may want to remain anonymous for various reasons.*

