

Hello BMHA members, this newsletter is intended to keep everyone up to date on what is currently happening in the association and to provide critical information for your own off season planning. While hockey maybe the furthest thing from your mind for many of you, the BMH board is well into the planning stages for our 2022-2023 season. Included are some highlights of what is going on and where you can access more information. I hope having all this information in one place instead of receiving a number of emails, website and Facebook postings, will be easier to refer back to and share with other members.

I would like to thank all our volunteers, coaches, managers, refs and board members for making our 2021-2022 season such a success on the ice. I cannot remember in the 12 years I have been involved in minor hockey so many teams having so much success. Congratulations to all of you.

I would like to take a moment to recognize our Past President Eric Lutterotti for the many years of dedication to both the Jr Bandits and Prairie Thunder. As you may or may not know last season was Ericks last as a minor hockey dad and he will hopefully be enjoying his newfound free time. Erick held many roles in this organization over the years and often, more than one at a time. I can promise you; all of our kids have benefited from Ericks leadership and will continue to do so for some time. Thank you Erick

Brad Tobler President Brooks Minor Hockey Association

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

As previously communicated our registration deadline is June 30. It is important for season planning that we know registration numbers early as possible. Register online at www.brooksminorhockey.com

U11 AA APPLICATION

Hockey Alberta (HA) has announced a pilot for AA hockey in U11. BMH will apply to host a team for the upcoming season. Please register early as player numbers will be a considering factor in awarding teams. Deadline to have application compete will be June 25.

For more information head over to U11 HADP | Hockey Alberta and click on the Info Bulletin tab to sign up for HA's open house.

EVALUATIONS

Evaluation weekends are scheduled for September 17/18 and 24/25. Nonevaluated skates will begin to take place the first week of September for some divisions.



Registration link for Medicine Hat

https://medicinehatminorhockey.com/

Deadline is July 15 to avoid a \$100 late fee

Registration Contact for Golden Suns

goldensunsregistrar@gmail.com

AAA/AA CHANGES

There have been changes in the process when registering for AAA/AA tryouts. The notice of movement form is no longer required as BMH will be notified by the AAA or AA association of our local players registered. It is still recommended you register with BMH so you can secure a spot locally if needed.

For more information visit:

<u>AAA</u>

https://www.hockeyalberta.ca/players/elite-malehockey-aaa/

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https://www.hockeyalberta.ca/players/aa-hockey/

CHANGES TO U18

It has been announced by Hockey Alberta that it's Leagues Committee has voted unanimously to implement NO-BODY CHECKING divisions in tiers 4 though 6 for the upcoming season. This will be identical to how the U15 divisions were run last year. We have not heard how CAHL intends to structure these tiers but will keep you informed as we get information.

Also, a reminder for U15's and U18's to get **registered early** as June 30 is the deadline to secure a spot. Registrations after June 30 will be accepted until the team is full then wait listed after that date.



UP COMING EVENTS

June 30 - Registration Deadline July 12 - Equipment Swap Sept 17 - Evaluations begin Nov 17/18 - Casino Fundraiser



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PT UPDATES

Prairie Thunder Female Hockey is excited about growing our female hockey program next season! We are optimistic that we will be able to have teams in U11, U13, U15 and U18. Our goal is to have as many girls on the ice as possible! We know that this might mean being creative when organizing our teams as numbers allow, but we want to do our best to give every girl who wants to enjoy the comradery of a female team a chance to do so! Please register your daughter ASAP to give us a chance to see what our numbers are looking like. Remember, even if your daughter plans to try out for elite hockey, you'll need to register her at your home association first! For more information about elite female hockey, please contact the Southern Express.



Female Hockey

RECOGNITION

I would like to thank Cal Szeszorak, our fundraising guru, for organizing the BMHA golf tournament fundraiser. These fundraisers are the reason why we did not have to increase our registration fees this year and why they remain lower than other nearby associations.

I would also like to thank the participants and our sponsors; your support does not go unnoticed.



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