

WEHL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP



May 10, 2023





WEHL AGM Agenda

- ▶ Introductions of Executive Committee
- ▶ Minutes from last AGM
- ▶ Julie Dunnigan Memorial Bursary
- ▶ Season Review
- ▶ VP Admin/President's Report
- ▶ Treasurer's Report
 - Approve Budget, 2023-2024
 - Appointment of Auditor
- ▶ Pilot Sort Out Process
- ▶ Election of Directors for 2023-2024 term
 - ▶ Survey Draw Winner
- ▶ Adjournment



Minutes from the 2022 AGM

- ▶ Comments, Errors and Omissions
- ▶ Motion to approve





VP Communications | Bursary



Late Julie Dunnigan

▶ 5th Annual Julie Dunnigan Memorial Bursary

▶ \$500 Bursary

▶ Recognizes community involvement, leadership and sportsmanship in U18 player, who is pursuing a post-secondary education

▶ Now accepting applications

▶ Deadline: June 16, 2023

▶ Email sent to all eligible members

▶ Next Steps: Reminders & outreach

▶ Details → westendhockey.com



4th Annual Julie
Dunnigan Memorial
Bursary Recipient,
Luke Boyle



Season Review

- ▶ VP Junior Divisions
- ▶ VP Intermediate Divisions
- ▶ VP Senior Divisions
- ▶ VP Hockey Operations
- ▶ Registrar
- ▶ VP Volunteers
- ▶ VP Communications
- ▶ VP Risk and Safety
- ▶ VP Ice and Scheduling



VP Junior Report

- ▶ **U7 (IP5) Convenor - Nicolas Brunette-D'Souza**
- ▶ **U7 (IP6) Convenor - Jahmiah Ferdinand**
 - U7 - Groups split into four teams mainly by age (2016, 2017)
 - Approx. 130 kids enrolled
 - 2016s had games and tournament
- ▶ **U9 (2014/15) Convenors -Holly Kardish, Svitlana Voytsekhovska & Mijin Kim**
 - One hundred sixty seven kids on 16 teams
 - Two A teams, 10 B teams, 4 C teams
 - Half ice “regular” season which included regular BMHL games on Sundays, tournament and exhibition games
 - HEO allowed for one full ice tournament.



VP Intermediate Report

- ▶ **U13** Convenor - Kelly-Anne Gibson
 - ▶ 2 x A Teams (28 players)
 - ▶ 4 x B Teams (56 players)
 - ▶ 2 x C Teams (30 players)

= 114 U13 Players

Special thanks to all coaches and volunteers





VP Intermediate Report

U13 C1: Thunderpucks

5 game winning streak Pool B Final



U13 B3 OYET Champions



WEST END B3 SCREAMING GOATS
2023 OTTAWA YEAR END TOURNAMENT U13B CHAMPION



VP Intermediate Report

- ▶ **U11** Convenors - Joseph Chamberland and Eric Macramalla
 - ▶ 2 x A Teams (28 players)
 - ▶ 5 x B Teams (72 players)
 - ▶ 2 x C Teams (31 players)
- 131 U11 Players!

Special thanks to all coaches and volunteers



VP Intermediate Report

- ▶ U11 A1: Yetis

December 2-4 2022, Keith Barton Memorial House League Tournament, Powassen, ON

- ▶ U11 A2: Gladiators

November 5 2022, Silver Stick tournament, Cobourg ON

November 25-27 2022, 2022 Warriors Weekend Tournament, Carp ON

March 26 2023, BMHL Playoff Champions

- ▶ U11 B2: Cheddar Cheeses

March 31-April 2, Ottawa Year End Tournament

- ▶ U11 B4: Phantoms

March 26, 2023, BMHL Playoff Champions



VP Senior Report

▶ U15

- 6 teams (2A, 2B, 2C), 92 players (44 2008s, 48 2009s)
Convenors - Emily West, Mark West, Dave Cox

▶ U18

- 11 teams (2A, 9B), 168 players (47 2005s, 50 2006s, 71 2007s)
Convenors - Matt Boyle, Caroline Laviolette



VP Hockey Operations Report

- Beginner Development successful
- Ensure every team has a manager, coaches can't do coaching and managing
- New U13 Jerseys moving to U15 next year
- New WEHL Jerseys for U9 and U13
- Ordering this summer:
 - IP Jerseys/socks
 - More WEHL pucks
 - Blue pucks for IP



VP Hockey Operations Report

- ▶ BMHL balance
 - ▶ Ideally all association teams should have an approximately equal chance of losing and winning. Target of .400-.600
- ▶ New Sort-out process next year
- ▶ Some association amalgamations for next year
- ▶ Continued development for Goalies and Skaters



Registrar Report

Division	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21
U6 / U7	115	112	78
U9	164	152	154
U11	130	114	84
U13	111	126	80
U15	92	123	121
U18	164	153	107
U21	1	6	0
Overall	777	786	624



Registrar Report

- For the 2022/23 season, Hockey Canada implemented a new registration system (HCR 3.0) and made mandatory self identification related to ethnicity, including requesting that members indicate whether they identify as Indigenous.



2023/24 Season - Registrar Report

- Registration will open on June 5 and discounted Early Bird registration will run from June 5-23.
 - Players trying out for competitive are NOT eligible for the discounted fee.
- A new half-season session is planned for U5s (kids born in 2019); however, it will depend on registration and volunteer numbers.
- Consistent with 2022/23, WEHL-catchment players who intend to try out for competitive teams (OWGK, Sting, Junior 67s, etc.), are not required to pay any fees to WEHL before their competitive try outs.
 - However, also consistent with 2022/23, players are required to be registered for competitive through the WEHL registration system before trying out for a competitive team.
 - Players must also be registered (and their fees paid) with the highest-level competitive level team for which they intend to try out before the competitive association's registration deadline. Competitive associations usually have discounted early bird fees so we encourage you to stay informed of their registration processes to benefit from any discount.
 - If unsuccessful in competitive tryouts, players need to be registered (and their fees paid) with WEHL (House League) before attending WEHL sort outs.



2023/24 Season - Registrar Report

- WEHL members (players, parents and volunteers) continue to be responsible for updating their HCR profiles and completing mandatory fields in order to be eligible for rostering.
- Members who intend to volunteer for the 2023/24 season should ensure that their Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC) has been done on or after November 15, 2020 or it may expire prior to the completion of rostering. VSCs are only valid for three years and will need to be updated mid-season if they expire.



2023/24 Season - Registrar Report

Fees for 2023/24 Season

U5	\$305	\$285
U6	\$555	\$530
U7	\$745	\$695
U9	\$745	\$695
U11	\$745	\$695
U13	\$745	\$695
U15	\$745	\$695
U18	\$745	\$695
U21	\$610	\$585



2023/24 Season - Registrar Report

IMPORTANT DATES

June 5

- Registration opens at the discounted Early Bird rate
- Secure online process through Hockey Canada's online registration system (HCR 3.0)
- Credit card is the only form of payment accepted online
- For any payment type other than credit card, please contact the Registrar before June 15 if you hope to get the discount (as it will take a few days to arrange)

June 24

- Online registration continues at the regular rate until the beginning of the season in September



Season Re-cap - VP Volunteers Report

Key activities this past season:

- ▶ Volunteer Survey went out in Sept to identify possible volunteers
 - ▶ This list used to identify help in supporting convenors and other board members.
- ▶ Volunteer start-of-season meeting held in early Sept at Sala San Marco
- ▶ Organized the photo day for both WEHL and the Golden Knights
- ▶ Volunteer Appreciation Night held in April at the Clock Tower Pub
- ▶ All board positions filled for the 2023/2024 season
- ▶ Working with VP Junior/Intermediate/Senior to recruit and onboard new convenors



VP Communications | Highlights

WEB | Outreach

	2021-2022	2022-2023
Sept. – Sept.	20	13 (+7)
Sept. – May	13	13

EMAIL | Outreach

	2021-2022	2022-2023
Sept. – May	n/a	30+

WEB HIGHLIGHTS:

- ▶ Updated Financial Assistance Page
- ▶ New and Dedicated Julie Dunnigan Memorial Bursary Page
- ▶ Updated social media buttons




EMAIL CONTENT MIX:

- ▶ League Information
- ▶ Promotions & Discounts: 67s, Ottawa Sens Skills Competition, Spring & Summer Camps



VP Communications | Highlights

SOCIAL | Followers & Outreach

Sept - May			
Followers	371	115	131
Post	55	41	30

HIGHLIGHTS:

- ▶ Updated Twitter Profile
- ▶ NEW Facebook Page & Merge with old Group
- ▶ NEW Instagram account



VP Communications | Highlights



WEHL @westendhockey · Mar 26
Congrats to the BMHL U15-A division champions! #WEHL A2



WEHL @westendhockey · Mar 30
The Blazing 8s (WE U9-B8) had a great time in Kingston last weekend, competing in the Kids for Kids hockey Tournament!

#WEHL #wehlhockey



WEHL @westendhockey · Jan 20
Spending more time on outdoor rinks? Don't forget about your blades. They'll need sharpening.

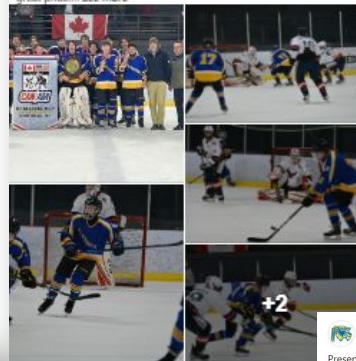
Stop by the Dulude Skate Shop @edgeszyjohn

Mon.-Fri. 5-8pm
Sat. 11am - 7pm
Sun. 10am - 6pm



West End Hockey League
February 27

Golden Moment for West End U18-A2!
W stands for West End, who captured gold at the CanAm Challenge Cup in Pierrefonds, QC on Feb. 17-19.
The event marks the end of a minor league era as many players will graduate from minor hockey after this season. As for the staff, who watched these players progress over the years, it was a moment of great pride... See more



West End Hockey League
March 26

You know why this team is all smiles 😊
Our U11-84 team, better known as the Phantoms, won the title with a 3-1 victory in the finals.
Congrats to the new BMHL U11-8 Champions!



West End Hockey League
November 6, 2022

Presenting the 2022 Colborne Tournament champions, the Gladiators!!! 🏆
Our very own West End U11-A2 team, won their games 7-0, 9-2 and 6-2. The championship game included six goals from six different players.
Congratulations to all players (and coaches) for your outstanding performance and teamwork.





VP Communications | Highlights

WEHL @westendhockey - Feb 10
Help us decide!
It's a 50/50 split among our U6 players on whether we like [#timbits](#) or [#hockeycards](#) best 🤔

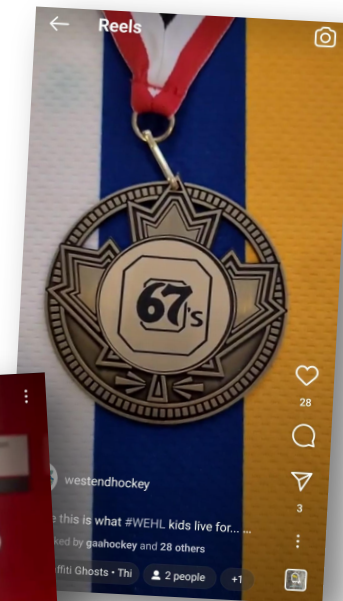
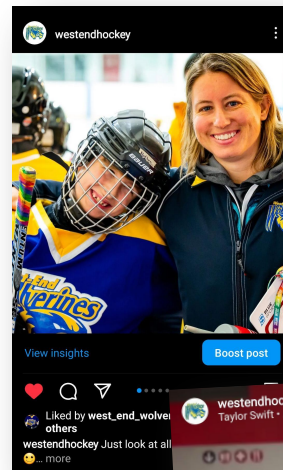
Post Annual Timbits Jamboree Interview Part 2



WEHL @westendhockey - Feb 9
Post Annual Timbits Jamboree Interview from the @CdnTfct1

There you have it @TimHortons, #WEHL players would like a blueberry lemon (or banana) flavoured #Timbit.

Until then, they'll continue to eat their favourites ... chocolate and sprinkles!





VP Communications | 2023-2024 priorities

Priority items for next season:

- ▶ Website content review & updates
- ▶ Social media engagement
- ▶ Highlight more team/player achievements

ATTN Members!
Find and follow
@westendhockey on:





VP Communications | U6-U13 Year-End Party

- ▶ April 15, 2023
- ▶ Local Business Partnership with Dulude Canteen
- ▶ 12 Student volunteers assisted with onsite activities
- ▶ Gift: Each player participant received a cinch bag
- ▶ Total participants: 600, including parents, siblings or friends
- ▶ Activities: Two (2x) inflatable bouncy structures, Hockey Shoot-out area, Lunch and Raffle
- ▶ Raffle: \$1,182 total in donations to Youth Services Bureau (YSB)
 - ▶ Prize donations from Sens Foundation, Ottawa 67s, Next Generation Hockey, Ottawa West Ball Hockey League, Fringe & Foliage, Bulk Barn (Carling Avenue), Valiquette Sports and Members: Mike Patriquin, Valerie Solc and Tiffany Fequet





VP Communications | Survey

213

**Survey
Participants***

NEXT STEPS:

- ▶ Review & analysis of entries
- ▶ Share full report with Board
- ▶ Share summary with members

248

Players

***1 participant can have multiple entries based on number of children/players registered with the WEHL**



VP Risk & Safety Report

- ▶ 59 coaches, assistants, managers and Trainers received their PRC's this year.
 - Issue HC requires these to be updated into HCR for approval to team list. Limitation R&S has no access to HCR or team lists.
- ▶ HEO discipline changes:
 - 11.4 maltreatment Gross Misconduct
 - Discriminatory grounds race, religion, sexuality, genetic characteristics. Has been very broadly interpreted.
 - Appears mandatory hearing will be dropped, mandatory 5 games will still apply. Likely HEO will institute a mechanism to hold a hearing in the event of an egregious violation.



VP Ice Report

- Report on Past season (2022-2023) and ice related issues
 - Challenging year due to BMHL approach to games scheduling
 - Practices largely during the week and hours consistent for each age-group
 - All teams received more ice beyond their minimum required allocation
 - First year for current VP Ice so some learning curve issues
- Next season (2023-2024)
 - Cost of ice will be increased by ~2% (\$219 / hour)
 - Budgeting for 2 hours of half ice per week for each team - same
 - Several hours / week will be set aside for open development sessions
 - BMHL will be looking at better ways to plan games that aren't weekend-focused
 - Practice allocation is only confirmed once BMHL has confirmed games schedule
 - More accurate planning for ice allocation based on previous years' numbers



VP Admin / President Report

- ▶ Thanks to departing Board member: Shawn Murphy, Mijin Kim
- ▶ Minimal Covid related issues - “normal” season
- ▶ OYET Successful
- ▶ Thank you to all volunteers that helped out this season and continue to help



VP Admin / President Report

- ▶ Registration challenges
- ▶ New Era for District B ???
- ▶ Pathways for U13/U15
- ▶ New HEO AAA Policy
- ▶ INFLATION
- ▶ District AGM May 29 (virtual)



Treasurer Report

Financial Highlights

- ▶ 2021-22 Season (audited)
 - Revenue \$627K
 - \$555K expenses
 - Difference \$72K
 - Unqualified audit



Treasurer Report

Financial Highlights

- ▶ 2022-23 Season (unaudited)
 - Regular season
 - Revenue \$714,170; expenses \$811,300 (projected)
 - Still in surplus position
 - Major expenses: ice, development, HEO fees, officials, sweaters/socks, canteen; extra sweaters
 - Inflation and COVID



Treasurer Report

- ▶ 2022-23 Season (unaudited)
 - Donations: registration; Julie Dunnigan; YE banquet raffle
 - Donated \$2100 to Youth Services Bureau



Treasurer Report

2023-24 Budget Overview

- ▶ Projections (*excludes Golden Knights ice*)
 - 902 players
 - Revenue of \$821K
 - Expenses of \$864K
 - Total deficit \$43K
- ▶ Budgeted for a larger than normal deficit to keep registration fees low; drawing down on surplus



Treasurer Report

- ▶ Expenses continue to increase
- ▶ Development for players and goalies, coaches included
- ▶ Evaluation for U9-U13 and conditioning sessions for all levels
- ▶ Continue to replace jerseys, improve goalie equipment, support canteen



Treasurer Report

Motions

- ▶ 2023-2024 Budget Approval
- ▶ Appointment of Auditor
 - Hendry Warren
 - Fixing of remuneration to be approved by the WEHL Executive Committee (between \$9K and \$11K)



Pilot Sort-Out Process

Pilot Sort-Out Process

- ▶ Sort-out process clarified to ensure provision of fair, balanced teams and a transparent team formation process
- ▶ Minor differences accommodated at each level
- ▶ Led by Convenors
- ▶ Expected to ease burden on volunteers and parents



Pilot Sort-Out Process

What does it look like?

- ▶ Initial Placement Recommendations (Feb)*
- ▶ Balancing Team Formation (Aug/Sept)
- ▶ Conditioning Sessions (Sept)
- ▶ Evaluation Sessions
- ▶ Revision of Balancing Teams
- ▶ Balancing Games
- ▶ Inter-league Parity Games
- ▶ Team Development
- ▶ Season Start (Oct)



Election of Directors – 2023-2024

ONE YEAR NOMINATIONS

- President - Robert Johnson
- VP Junior - Liane Moskal
- VP Intermediate - Matt Boldt
- VP Volunteer - Kevin Baker

TWO YEAR NOMINATIONS

- Secretary - Ben Lee
- VP Hockey Operations - Jason Lantz
- VP Senior - John Hemm
- Registrar - Rione Novak
- VP Communications - Tiffany Fequet
- VP Admin - Chris Ross



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Draw Entries

WINNER

David Arsenault



WEHL AGM 2023

See you in September!

