

West End Hockey League

AGM 2025

May 12, 2025



AGENDA

- Season Re-cap Reports
 - Junior, Intermediate & Senior
 - Operations
 - Volunteer
 - Communications
 - Risk & Safety
 - Ice
 - Registrar
 - Treasurer
 - President
- Bylaw Amendment
- Election of Directors



Junior Report

U7 (2018, 2019 & 2020)

(U5) Convenor - Cindy St-Amour

(U6) Convenor - Heather Squires

(U7) Convenor - Jeff Leavitt

- 124 players
- 4 Teams (U5, U6, U6/7, U7)
- U6/7 - Given number, a U6/7 team was create (1st year U7 & 2nd year U6 players)
- U7 & U6 had games, 67s experiences and jamborees

U9 (2016/17)

Convenors - Holly Kardish & Ish Elfarro

- 157 Players
- 15 Teams (3A, 8B, 4C)
- Half ice “regular” season which included regular BMHL games on Sundays, tournament and exhibition games.



Intermediate Report

U11 (2014/2015)

Convenors - Eric Macramalla & Mike Wallace

- 146 players (73 2014s, 73 2015s)
- 10 teams (2A, 5B, 3C)

Highlights:

Playoff Champions - U11A2

Playoff Champions - U11B3

Playoff Champions - U11C2

Playoff Pool 2 Champions - U11A1

U13 (2012/2013)

Convenor - Alicia Rosborough

- 145 players (74 2013s, 71 2012s)
- 10 teams (2A, 5B, 3C)

Highlights:

Playoff Champions - U13B (B4)

Playoff Champions - U13C (C1)

Playoff Finalists - U13A (A2)

Playoff Finalists - U13B (B3)



Senior Report

U15 (2010/2011)

Convenor - Stephanie Moores

- 92 players (51 2010s, 41 2011s)
- 6 teams (1A, 4B, 1C)

Highlights:

League Champions - U15B (B4)

Playoff Champions - U15A, U15B, U15C

Tournament Champions U15 A1

U18 (2007/2008/2009)

Convenor - John Hemm

- 132 players (54 2007s, 41 2008s, 37 2009s)
- 9 teams (1A, 8B)

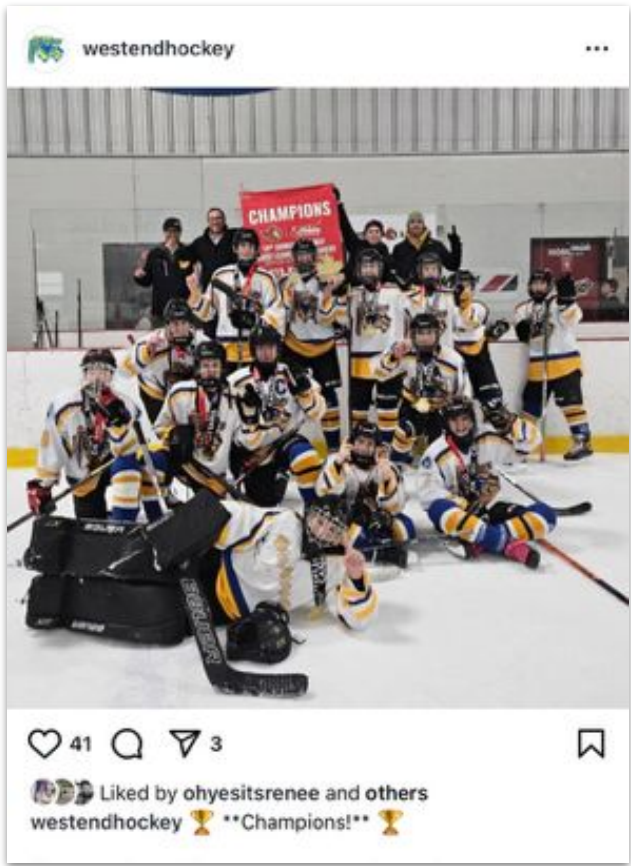
Highlights:

Playoff Champions - U18B7 and U18B2

Tournament Champions U18A1



Senior Report



Operations Report

- Development sessions (Sunday nights) continue to be well attended - added one session this past season
- U11 McDonald's jerseys a success; will order again (kids will keep one jersey/sock)
- Ordering this summer:
 - U13 & U15 Game Jerseys
 - IP Jerseys
 - Practice jerseys
 - Pucks
 - Socks (blue for next season)



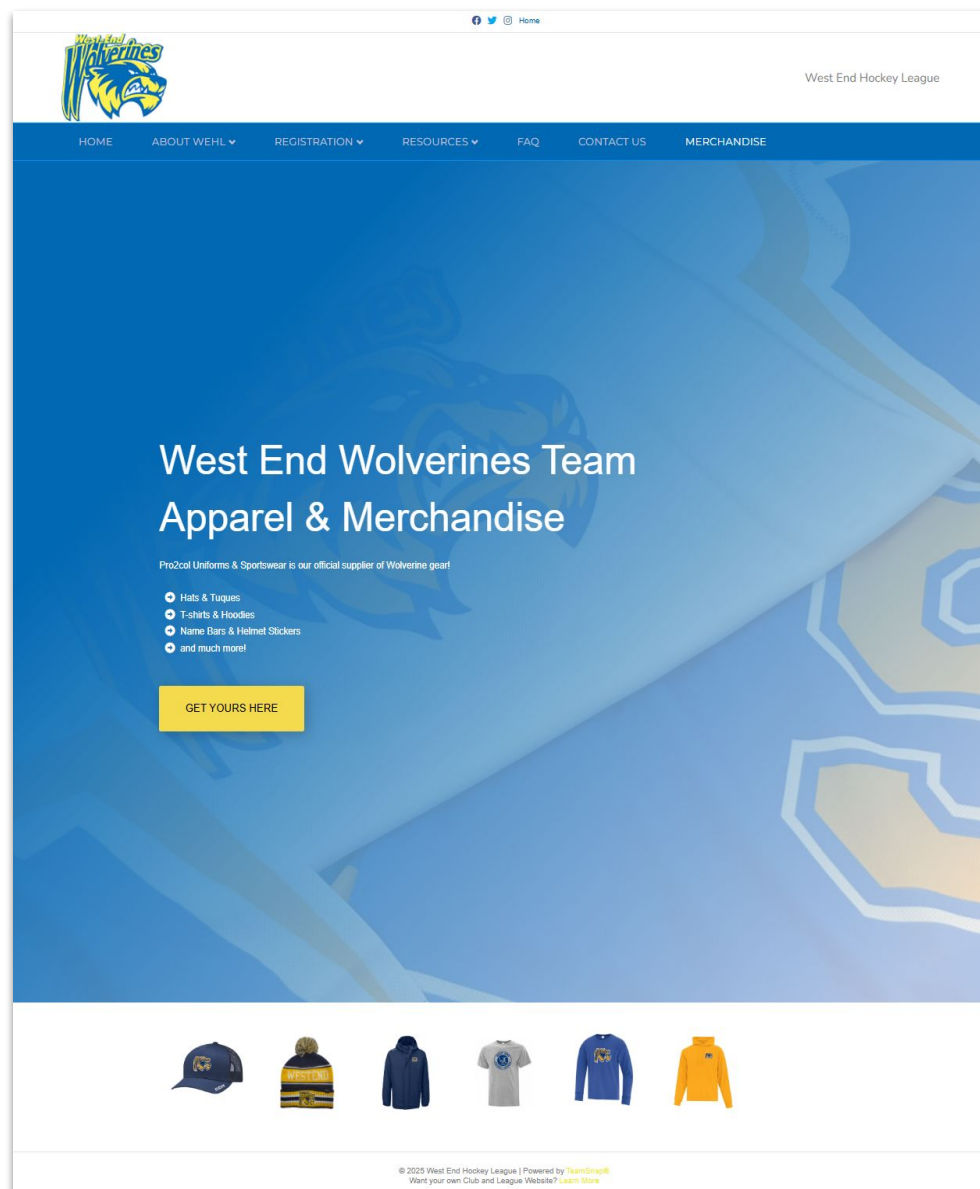
Volunteers Report

Activities this past season:

- Teen volunteers used for several activities including goalie training, the year-end banquet, and scorekeeping at the Ottawa Year End Tournament
- Volunteer party held on April 14 (60 attended)



Communications | Highlights



EMAIL - WEB - SOCIAL

- League Information & Events
- Fundraising
- HEO Updates
- Targeted emails (specific divisions)

WEB HIGHLIGHTS:

- New Julie Dunnigan Bursary Page
- New WEHL Merchandise Page
- New Golden Award Page



Communications | U5-U11 Year-End Party

U5-U11 Year-End Party

April 26, 2025

- ~ 600 attendees, incl. parents & siblings.
- Gift: Players each received a WEHL branded croc charm & stickers
- Activities: Three (3x) inflatable structures, mini stick zone, snacks and food drive
- 9 x U18 WEHL player volunteers



Communications | Food Drive

\$338 Raised for Charity!

All proceeds donated to CN Cycle for CHEO (Griff's Gang) in memory of Griffin Bell

Food Drive

- Six large boxes & two grocery bags of non-perishable food items.

Special Thank you to Grayson, U11 Wolverine for organizing this activity!!!!





Julie Dunnigan

7th Annual Julie Dunnigan Memorial Bursary

- In honour of a dedicated WEHL volunteer
- \$500 Bursary
- Recognizes community involvement, leadership and sportsmanship
- Eligibility: Registered WEHL U18 player pursuing post-secondary studies
- Six applications were received
- Winner to be announced this summer
- Details → <https://www.westendhockey.com/julie-dunnigan-bursary>

6th Annual Julie Dunnigan
Memorial Bursary Recipient
(2023-2024 season)
Thomas Boyle



Communications | Golden Award



Griffin Bell

1st Annual Golden Award

- In honour of Griffin Bell
- Recognizes teams that go beyond the rink to engage in initiatives that promote team spirit, inclusivity, and support for local causes.
- Three applications were received
- Winner to be announced this summer
- Details → <https://www.westendhockey.com/about-wehl/golden-award/>



Communications | Survey

100 WEHL Survey Entries & **60** Draw Entries for \$100 discount on 2025-26 WEHL registration fees

THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING

DRAW WINNER: Michael Majic

Note: U11 & U13 families were also invited to participate in a separate survey, which received over 103 entries (46 - U11; 57 - U13).



Risk & Safety Report

Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC) - Ottawa Police

- 108 coaches, assistants, managers and Trainers received VSC's.
- Hockey Canada requires VSC's to be updated into HCR for approval to team list.

Updates:

- Most common discipline issues this year remains discriminatory slurs.
- “Games Cannot Proceed Without DBOA Referees” message to coaches.
- “Creating a Safe & Supportive Team Environment” website update.



Risk & Safety Report

Strategic Planning 2026

- Strengthening the Future of WEHL: The Board of Directors is pleased to a comprehensive strategic planning initiative for 2026.
- Why Now?
 - Economic uncertainty
 - Evolving community needs
 - Board turnover
- What is the Focus?
 - Review our mission and vision.
 - Evaluate our financial management / growth strategy.
 - Fulsome bylaw review, including Board composition and dynamics.
- The Board will present the new strategic plan at the 2026 AGM.



Ice Report

2024-2025 Season Report and ice related issues

- Challenges with limited practice ice for some divisions due to BMHL scheduling approach (too much ice was taken for games)
- Playoff challenges in U18 due to new format that scheduled games with limited notice
- Availability of extra ice continues to be an issue across the city.

Next season (2024-2025)

- Cost of ice increase from \$224.80/hr to \$231.44/hr
- Budgeting for 2 hours of half ice per week for each team - same
- Several hours / week will be set aside for development sessions
- Trialing new software for ice allocation and will allocate ice to BMHL for games (rather than having BMHL select the ice times they want)



Registrar Report

Division	2024-25	2023-24	2022-23
U7	124	127	115
U9	157	154	164
U11	146	137	130
U13	145	120	111
U15	94	105	92
U18	133	152	164
U21	8	0	1
Overall	807	795	777



Registrar Report

Registration 2025/2026 Season

- Opens June 9
- Early Bird registration will run from June 9-27, 2025.
- Players still planning to try out for Rep B are **NOT** eligible for the discounted early bird fees.

U5

- A once-a-week session (Saturday mornings) is planned for U5s (kids born in 2021); however, like recent years, it will depend on registration and volunteer numbers, so interested families should get the word out.

Competitive Tryouts

- WEHL catchment players intending to try out for Rep B (Ottawa West Golden Knights) are not required to pay any fees to WEHL before their Rep B tryouts.
- WEHL catchment players who intend to try out for Rep B OR who have already been successful in competitive tryouts for the 2025-2026 season must register for WEHL competitive through the WEHL registration system.
 - Competitive registration with WEHL is free
- Players must also register (and pay fees) with the Ottawa West Golden Knights before OWGK's registration deadline.
- If players are unsuccessful in competitive tryouts, players must be registered and have fees paid for WEHL (House League) before attending WEHL sort outs in September 2025.



Registrar Report

Hockey Canada Register Profiles

- WEHL members (players, parents and volunteers) continue to be responsible for completing their qualifications, updating their HCR profiles, and completing mandatory fields in order to be eligible for rostering.

Volunteer Qualifications

- Members who intend to volunteer for the 2025/26 season should ensure that they have the following qualifications at a minimum (trainers/coaches require more):
 - **Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC)** completed on or after November 15, 2022
 - If VSC was completed prior to November 15, 2022, 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. Email VP Risk to request a letter that waives the fee with the City of Ottawa Police.
 - **Respect in Sport for ACTIVITY LEADERS**
 - This course is different than the PARENTS version and needs to be completed and showing under the volunteer's Qualifications tab in their Hockey Canada profile prior to the start of the season.
 - **Gender Identity and Expression Course**
 - This course needs to be completed and showing under the volunteer's Qualifications tab in their Hockey Canada profile prior to the start of the season.



Registrar Report

Registration Fees for 2025/26 Season

Division	Registration Fee	Early Bird Fee
U5	\$400	\$380
U6	\$620	\$590
U7	\$620	\$590
U9	\$800	\$760
U11	\$800	\$760
U13	\$800	\$760
U15	\$800	\$760
U18	\$800	\$760
U21	\$630	-



Treasurer Report

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

2023-2024 Season

- ▶ Unqualified Audit
 - Revenue \$724,051
 - Expenses \$673,778
 - Surplus \$50K

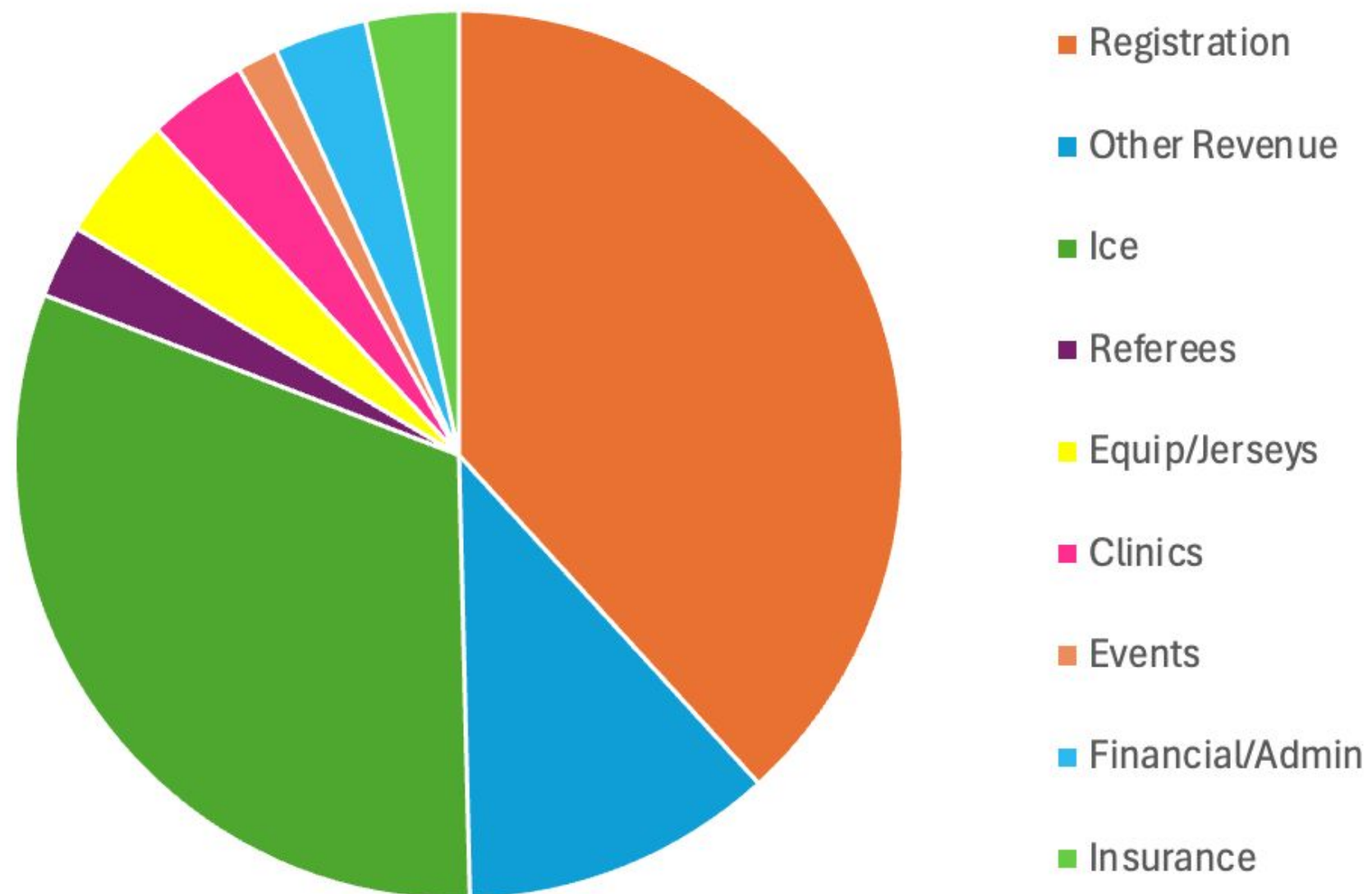
2024-2025 Season

- ▶ Preliminary and unaudited
 - Revenue \$763,000
 - Expenses \$750,000
 - Surplus ~13K likely



Treasurer Report

2025-26 Budget



2025-26 Budget Overview

- ~ same number players as 2024-25
- Revenue \$775,500
- Expenses \$803,600
- Deficit -\$28,000



Treasurer Report

Motions

1. 2025-2026 Budget Approval
2. Appointment of Auditor
 - a. Hendry Warren
 - b. Fixing of remuneration to be approved by the WEHL Executive Committee (approx \$11K)



President Report

Thank you to departing Board volunteers:

- Chris Ross - Admin
- Lianne Moskal - VP Junior
- John Hemm - VP Senior
- Kevin Baker- VP Volunteer

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped this season. Your continued support will be essential for making next year a success.



Bylaw Amendment

Proposed addition to the Bylaws:

The board would like to add the following text to the bylaws:

A Board member may have his or her position declared vacant by a majority vote of the Board should the Board member fail to attend two (2) consecutive Board meetings, or three (3) Board meetings during the West End Hockey year. The Board acknowledges that the strong preference is for Board members to attend Board meetings in-person. In exceptional circumstances, including, without limitation, travel, the Board shall employ its best efforts to allow Board members to attend Board meetings online or by telephone.



Election of Directors – 2024-2026

TWO YEAR NOMINATIONS

- ▶ Secretary - Robert Johnson
- ▶ Registrar - Rione Novak
- ▶ VP Admin - Steve Dulmage
- ▶ VP Operations - Eric Macramalla
- ▶ VP Senior - Robert Zsigo
- ▶ VP Communications - Tiffany Fequet



Election of Directors – 2024-2025

ONE YEAR NOMINATIONS

- ▶ VP Junior – Alicia Rosborough
- ▶ VP Volunteers – Heather Squires
- ▶ VP Risk & Safety – Allan McDougall



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