

**Welcome to the 2009 Mariposa Minor Hockey Association Annual General Meeting**

**2008-2009 Highlights:**

- 2 OMHA Championship Teams
- 1 Three County League “A” Championship Team
- 3 Three County League “A” Finalist Teams
- No municipal workers strike
- 3<sup>rd</sup> season for Timbit House League
- Online Coaching Survey

**Look Forward to 2009-2010 Season:**

- Registration fees will remain the same

**2009-2010 MMHA Registration Dates:**

- April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009 10AM-Noon
- May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 10AM-Noon
- June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009 10AM-Noon

**No Banquet this Year**

- Each team to receive \$15 per registered player to be used for a team party, trophies, or other team event

## 2009 - 2010 REGISTRATION

**Dates:** Sat Apr 25, 2009  
Sat May 23, 2009  
Sat Jun 27, 2009

**Time:** 10:00am – 12:00 noon

**Place:** Little Britain Community Centre

Watch your local papers for a reminder of these dates.

This year we are happy to report your player registration, family passes and your fundraising fees have **NOT** increased. Included with your registration is a pair of socks.

In the past, we have mailed the registration forms to returning players. This will *not* be the case this year. Too many families forgot to bring the forms with them to registration. Registration forms will be available during the registration dates and times listed above. As well, can be found on-line at <http://www.mariposaminorhockey.com/>

Some of you may not know but our ice time for the 2009 – 2010 season is scheduled with the City of Kawartha Lakes in July. To ensure we have enough ice time for our teams, we need to know registration numbers prior to ice scheduling. We encourage you to register by June 30, 2009. **A \$50 late registration fee will apply to returning players after June 30, 2009.** ALL cheques must be received and dated prior to September 30, 2009.

### **TOTAL registration must be paid by September 30, 2009**

Power Skating was a huge success last year with 65 players participating (and a waiting list). This September we again will be offering power skating to get ready for the season. Sign up during registration as spots are limited.



Anne Cox  
Registrar MMHA  
2008 - 2009

### **Referee Assignor Update 2008-2009**

I tried very hard to use our local referees before going outside our own jurisdiction. Unfortunately we started off the year with only two certified referees. All OMHA rep teams require a minimum of one certified referee on the ice for each and every game.

As the year progressed, the majority of our local refs became certified and I was able to use our “home town boys” for almost all of our games. Unfortunately, our organization is lacking in refs between 14-16 years old to assist with our younger mite and tyke programs. Talk to your kids about becoming a referee. It instils a strong sense of responsibility and a great work ethic in young teens.

The year didn't go off without a hitch however. We did have occasions where referees failed to show for one reason or another. Currently I am not aware of anything in our Constitution holding our referees accountable for missing games. It's not fair to disappoint our kids and cancel games simply because a ref doesn't show. I know other associations who do hold their referees accountable by suspensions. Regardless, I believe it is an issue that we as an association need to address.

I wish to thank our “home town” boys for their hard work and dedication to our association, and our coaches for their patience throughout the year.

Terry Cox

### **Ice Scheduling Update**

- We continue to address the poor conditions of the LB arena with the city
- Scheduling problems at end of year due to the city changing the LB arena closing date
- Continue to work closely with Referee Assigner to optimize game scheduling for referee purposes
- 90 minute practices were well received by coaches, players and parents

Rick Holliday

### **Equipment Report 2008/09**

- Socks were purchased for all Teams.
- Four sets of Sweaters were purchased.
- Goalie equipment was purchased for our younger Teams.

All of our Teams now have the new style sweaters.

Dale Shier  
Equipment Manager

### **Tournament Report**

Little Britian and Oakwood arenas were both the places to be on the weekend of November 21st to 23rd as the Mariposa Minor Hockey Association held it's annual Tri County tournament. Teams came from as far away as Ottawa and Wainfleet.

The competition was great with some very close games. The Bantam B championship was decided by a shootout Our Mariposa teams all played great and were excellent hosts for the visiting teams.

Again this year our tournament brought in over \$3000.00 for the association.

I would again like to thank everyone who helped out that weekend and I would also like to thank the sponsors-Buttertarts 'N' More and Wood-Mizer Canada.

Terry Loudon  
Tournament Director

### **Communications Chairperson Report**

The position was taken as a welcomed surprise part way through the year, due to a resignation. Communications with the executive is great, next year if I am in the position I would like to be at coaches meetings to make sure they are submitting for all newsletters and hopefully get some feedback from the members about what they would like to see. Thank you to Connie Nugent for handling the sponsor portion of the position.

Wendy Short

### **Fund Raising Report**

We had a successful fund raising year! Thanks to all the people who volunteered at the events and supplied prizes for the silent auction!

We held a bbq-silent auction-dance which was a success.

We also had a food booth at the Valentia rodeo in august. Due to low attendance at the rodeo, our booth broke even.

Our association purchased a shade tent with our logo which was used at the rodeo and the tent can be used at future venues.

We also held our fund raising ticket drive which was very successful again this year!

Next year's plans for fund raising include the fund raising tickets and a lob-ball tournament to be held in June in Little Britain.

Again I would like to thank everyone who participated in our fund raising events!

I would also like to thank the executive for all their help over the year!

Looking forward to another year as fund raising chairperson,  
Joanne Pidgeon

### **OMHA Rep Update**

From what I can see the highlights for this season in my position and as one of the executives was being involved with a great bunch of people, as a volunteer position. I enjoy attending the OMHA Victoria Durham monthly meetings as its a great sounding board for discussing different scenarios that happen in each of the centres. As a Mariposa executive member I feel for the organization that the Tim Bit program is a great idea to start developing our young hockey players, as it showed this year in our Tyke and Novice level. Unfortunately this pass season we could not submit a OMHA Bantam level team and I would like to hope that era is finished. And as always situations that crop up during the season with disgruntle parents of one issue or another but I realize this goes with the volunteering of any organization. I would like to congratulate both Three Counties and OMHA players, coaching staff and parents for being involved in our Mariposa Minor Hockey Association. And as a personal disappointment to me being the OMHA Rep was missing the final two games of the Peewee OMHA All Ontario.

Bob Walden  
(We missed you too, Bob- get well)

## Coaching Coordinator Update

The past season has been a successful and rewarding season for Mariposa Minor Hockey. We have achieved a high level of success at all age groups this past year, from local League to OMHA. We should be very proud of our teams and coaching staff's, as it is due to their hard work and dedication.

I've gotten to know some great people and have enjoyed getting involved with our association. It's very rewarding to see the efforts of many, have a great impact on our kids. It's important to get involved and I'm glad I did and encourage everyone else to as well.

I'd like to thank our hard working and dedicated coaches, managers and trainers. Without you none of this would be possible and I feel that sometimes that's forgotten. So thank you for patience and dedication to our association. I hope you've enjoyed your positions and encourage you to continue on in your teaching of our game.

This season, MMHA started an online coaches survey. We felt this was the best way to reach as many parents as possible. We had 109 responses and thank all those who took the time to provide the constructive comments. We will be using the results to help our coaches next season improve in the areas where they need it. These guys are working hard and want to improve to provide the best coaching they can for your kids. MMHA will be providing this survey again next season, and offering it a little earlier in the season. So please look for it online.

I'm proud to also announce next year's coaches. A couple teams are yet to be determined (due to numbers of players and acceptance), but will be updated on our website when decisions are finalized. Anyone interested in the vacant positions, please contact me.

Tyke Rep – John Sims  
Novice OMHA – Warren Kimble  
Novice AE – Mark Taylor  
Novice TC – Jeff Jenkins  
Atom OMHA – Dave Canning  
Atom AE/TC – TBA  
Atom TC – TBA

PeeWee OMHA – Rick Holliday  
PeeWee AE/TC - vacant  
PeeWee TC - vacant  
Bantam OMHA - TBA  
Bantam TC – Brian Nicoll  
Midget OMHA – Steve Gourlie  
Midget TC - vacant

Thanks to all, and looking forward to an even better season next year.

Trevor Trent  
Coaching Coordinator  
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## **President's Report**

The association had a very successful year both on and off the ice. We had 2 more OMHA Championship teams and a Three County "A" Championship team. Three other Three County teams were "A" Championship finalists.

The association is in very good financial shape. Just 3 years ago we were running a deficit of \$9,000.00. We were able to wipe out that deficit and now have a surplus that will be used to ensure our all of our teams have good uniforms. We also anticipate an increase in the cost of ice rental. With an annual ice rental expense of close to \$100,000.00, an increase of any amount will have a considerable impact.

2008-2009 was also a very sad season as we lost one of our members, Grant Turner, in a tragic accident. I am very proud of the way the Mariposa Minor Hockey Association members pulled together for Cindy, Grant Jr, Conner and Jessica during their time of need.

Overall, I am very proud to be associated with Mariposa Minor Hockey. When we travel around to different arenas I overhear people talking about what a great organization we have. In order to run a good program you need to have good people, and we have plenty. Keep up the good work.

I would like to thank all of the administrative board members for their commitment this season.

Thanks and have a safe and happy summer.

Brad Currie