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Mariposa Minor Hockey Association

Message from the President

Special points of interest:

- See the back page for new registration information
- Congratulations goes our to our Novice, Atom, Peeewe and Bantam teams who placed 1st in their regular season play.
- Come cheer on our OMHA teams as they head into playoffs—check the website for schedules at www.mariposaminorhockey.com

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On behalf of the Mariposa Minor Hockey Association Executive Board, I would like to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to all hockey members. It's hard to believe we are back in the midst of another winter hockey season.

The 2011-2012 season is well underway. Our 3 Counties teams are just beginning their second season while our A teams are beginning their playoff runs. The children in our Timbits Program are enjoying themselves while following the program's philosophy which is not based on winning or losing - but on learning a new sport, making new friends, and just taking time out to be a kid.

The executive committee pledges that it will work closely and communicate openly with all of its members in order to represent the children's best interests.

This year we want to communicate more to the membership through our website www.mariposaminorhockey.com. Going forward we hope that all members will regularly visit the web site for all up to date information of MMHA events, news and schedules for each team. This newsletter is designed to enhance communica-

tions and provide our membership with insights and information on activities happening within your association.

Our coaching survey is now available on the web site and we welcome any feedback or suggestions you may have and encourage you complete this survey.

As much as we are in the midst of the current season your Executive are hard at work on the 2012-2013 season. Planning and preparations are taking place to improve current processes and more information will be fourth coming. Our coaching applications are now available on our web site as well as posted in both arenas. We encourage all interested parties to sign up now for all levels. Continued success of our organization depends largely on volunteers and the participation of our members.

Hockey is the great Canadian pastime! I know many of you share a passion for this great game which is why I would like to remind all members to be mindful again this season that "respect" is an integral part of the game. It is not only critical for all of us to lead by example and be a positive role model, but we must also continue teaching our players

the essence of respect. It is important for parents and players alike to respect their opponents, teammates, volunteers, parents, coaches and referees. This value is at the core of this great sport.

In closing, I would like to thank all of our players and parents as well as volunteer coaches, trainers and managers for the countless hours and sacrifices that they make in order for our association to be successful. Their hard work and dedication is greatly appreciated. I would encourage anyone wishing to volunteer or assist the association to do so as the continued success of our organization depends largely on volunteers and the participation of our members. We can all play a part in making hockey a positive experience for our players.

Thank you everyone for your continued support as I would like to wish all members a safe and enjoyable 2011-2012 hockey season.

Ian Nicolson
President, MMHA

Coaches Corner!

We want your input! Coaching surveys are now accessible and we hope your coaches and managers have passed it on. You can also access it on-line at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JLFQJ2> Links are available through our website at www.mariposaminorhockey.com

The 2012-2013 coaching applications are

now available. Copies may be picked up at the Little Britain or Oakwood Arenas or print a copy from our website. All applications are due in to Terry Loudon or Scott Porter by Saturday, February 4th. Decisions will be made by February 18th.

TimBit—Blue



Everyone is working hard and most of the kids have gone from not being able to skate at the beginning of the year to all playing and joining in the games and practices. Many players have shown great potential and they all seem to be enjoying themselves. What a great program the timbit program is to give young children a chance to learn the game and learn

team spirit, it is amazing to see how the children grow and develop in such a short period of time.

Credits go out to Ryan Britton, Hayden France, Josh Granger, Denim Guymmer, Trevor Jenkinson, William Latour, Carson Lees, Bodhi Martin, Ryan Peever, Carter Quinn, Ava Roddy, Caleb Roddy, Jack Swan, Cowyn

Thomas and Owen Vanschaik.



TimBit-Red

"The will to win is important, but the will to prepare is vital."

Joe Paterno

It has been a great start to the season, all the chairs and pushers are off the ice and the puck is in the net. The kids have come along way, some have never skated, and some played last year. Together they are working hard and it is paying off.

The team is learning the positions and by playing different positions we are find-

ing some like certain spots and some don't, but they are having fun just the same. We have even seen some passing- "impressive."

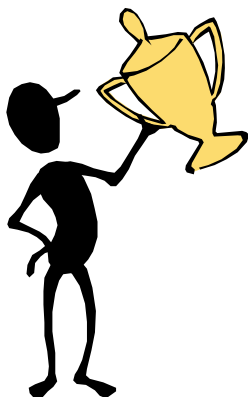
The team consists of Kiya, Laura, Colton, Ben, Hunter, George, Corson, Carsyn, Hunter, Jacob, Owen, Cole, Owen and our resident comedian Ethan.

I would like to thank our junior helpers Shawn, Lucas,

Katie and Conner as well as my assistant coach Paul Cave. Go Red Capitals Go!!!!
Coach Paul



Tim-Bit Green



It's my first time ever coaching a hockey team and I'm very impressed on how fast the kids improve. We started the year with five kids that couldn't skate and now they all skate around with hardly any trouble at all. I am very proud on what the kids have learned and accomplished these past few months.

I would like to thank the parents for the support and the help on the bench. I would also like to thank Paul Clark and his coaching staff for all the help during practices, especially when I couldn't be there. Last but not least, I'd like to thank the kids for being great little listeners and mak-

ing my coaching experience so enjoyable.

Chris Parson



Tim-Bit Yellow

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timbit program is to give young children a chance to learn the game and learn team spirit, it is amazing to see how the children grow and develop in such a short period of time.

Here's the line-up!

Patrick Cameron, Parker Chapman, Connor Codling, Mason Duchene, Gabrielle

Dwyer, William Fairman, Robert Fairman, Braydon Farr, Ty Henshall, Alex Johnstone, William McGillvary, Austin Morrison, Leo Reis, Tristan Shiers, Calvin Smith, and Nathan Wanamaker.



Tyke—Three County

We are very pleased with the improvement of all of our players, the first half we finished 9 wins 4 losses , a great start.

The second half we are

2 wins 4 losses, three of which were by 1 goal. The team is really starting to play well together even though we are playing the stronger teams this half.

I am very proud of all the players and look forward to each game.

Lee Ferguson

"Hockey is the only job I know where you get paid to have a nap on the day of the game."
Chico Resch

Novice—Blue

The Mariposa Novice Blue team is working very hard this year. The kids are playing well together as a team which is apparent with their stats: 15 wins, 3 ties and one loss. In the recent Mariposa Tourna-

ment the team placed "B" champions. We are very proud of Riley Rogers, Gage Holliday, Bailey Samis, Lucas VanVlack, Jessica Turner, Ryan Flowers, Hannah Vallier, Tyson Crum, Clayton Cameron, Andrew Jenkinson and Marshall

Morin for all their hard work and dedication. The team would also like to thank the coaching staff, Chris Crum, Jerry Vallier, Rob Jenkins and Kelly Jenkinson for all their volunteer hours and for helping to teach the kids the fundamentals of hockey.



Novice—Black



We wish the Mariposa Novice Black team success as they head into the second half of the season.

Novice –White

We are off to a great start so far this season. With the help and dedication of our coaching staff all of our players are showing continued improvement and are working together as a team. I would like to introduce our coaching staff and team:

Coach: Paul Bellefeuille
Asst Coach: Jason Gregor
Trainer: Louis Gregor
Manager: Steve Davidson

#1 Ty Doran (G)
#2 Brock Ormiston
#3 Rebecca Leitch
#4 Chad Ingram
#5 Joey Elliott
#6 Ryan Robertson
#7 Heather Nicolson
#9 Joey Beasley
#10 Hunter Mason
#11 Noah Stokes
12 Jack Hickson
#13 Reese Davidson

We would like to thank all of our parents for supporting the team by getting the kids to the practices and games. We look forward

to the rest of the season, keep up the great work! GO LIGHTNING GO!

“It’s not necessarily the amount of time you spend at practice that counts; it’s what you put into the practice.”

Eric Lindros

Novice—OMHA

GRAVENHURST TOURNAMENT CHAMPS!

Just wanted to congratulate our Novice Rep team for winning the Gravenhurst tournament! We got a win against Coldwater on Friday and a win against Hanover on Saturday. Our last round robin game on Sunday morning was against Georgian Shores. They took a one goal lead but, our guys pulled out a 2-1 win! In the semis we played Georgian Shores again, starting the same

way with us coming back with a 2-1 win to go to the finals. We were up on Baltimore 3-0 mid-way through the 2nd period but, Baltimore scored their first goal with 1:44 left in that period making it 3-1. They kept coming and with 6:42 left in the 3rd they got their 2nd goal. When that goal went in, the team buckled down for the rest of the game and Brody (our goalie) was lights out for the guys to gut out a 3-2 win to take the championship game! Congratulations boys and thanks to the parents for a

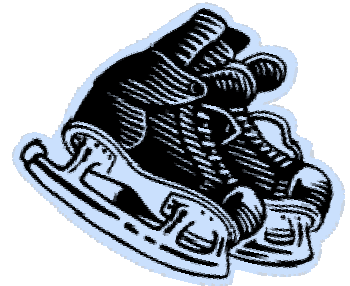
great tournament! Looking forward to the rest of the season! Our line up includes: Brody Bovair, Everhett Graham, Ryan Marquis, Jaxon Gill, Everitt Corneil, Ben Vokins, Austin How, Spencer Quibell, Kieran Church, Jacob Salazar, Kenny Redmond, Andrew Wilimek and Sean Hadfield.

Atom—Blue

The team is working hard and having fun-what hockey is all about! We are just back from a great tournament where the team really showed what they can do. The coaching staff is proud of their determination and spirit. Our line-up includes: Brendan Quinn and Alex

Jenkins between the pipes. Morgan Garbutt, Brandon Bellefeuille, Bradley Bellefeuille, Trent Gilchrist, Mac Wanamaker and Chase Mastin keeping them out of our zone. With, Jeff Newmarch, Greer Corneil, Hailey Currie, Michael Hadfield, Brooklyn Dwyer, Rob Redmond,

Riley Harrison, Spencer Wilimek and Connor Freeman rushing the net. Thank you to our parents for all their support. We look forward to the rest of the season. The coaching staff, Jeff Jenkins-Coach Paul Bellefeuille-Asst. Coach



Atom—Black

First we would like to introduce ourselves. Our coaching staff is as following:
Coach: Steve Doran
Asst. Coach: Steve Davidson
Trainer: Brad Ormiston
Asst. Trainer: Jason Nicholson
Manager: Faith Doran

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank every one of our parents for their hard work and dedication to our fundraising as well as their commitment to getting their child or children to practices and games. It would be really hard to run a team without our players!

- #4 Matt Doran (LW)
- #20 Nathan Tepfenhart (RW)
- #5 Sean Mulvenna (D)
- #6 Matthew Mulvenna (D)
- #7 Austin Nicholson (D)
- #8 Sebastian Judd (RW)
- #9 Maggie-Jo Hickson (RW)
- #11 Charlie Haldane (C)

Well, we had a great start to our first season. Our team has really come together and are working hard so that we can continue our streak into 2nd season and playoffs. So far we've enjoyed one tournament and were lucky enough to come out in first place. So a big congratulations to our team for that terrific accomplishment!

We would also like to introduce our players at this time:

So that's about all the news we have from our Atom Black 3C team. We look forward to the rest of the season. We would also like to congratulate all the "A" teams who move on.

- #1 Matt McCausland (G)
- #12 Connor Millson (LW)
- #30 Leo Davidson (G)
- #14 Simon Stoelinga (D)
- #3 Brody Ormiston (C)
- #15 Blake Rideout (LW)

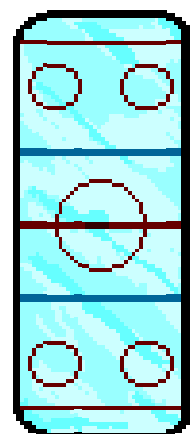
*"Every day is a great day for hockey."
Mario Lemieux*

Atom—OMHA

The Guy Masters Royal LePage OMHA Atom team has had a very successful regular season. We head into playoffs with an amazing record of 17 wins and one loss.

earned us a bye right to the quarter-finals. As we go for the gold, come cheer on Grums, Logie, Louie, Ozzy, Goat, Smiley, Connor, CamO, Nick, Kyle, Nate, Rae Lynn and Leo. We will be fighting this one for Clay-bird,

who will be leading us from the bench due to an injury. Thanks to all the parents and coaching staff who continue to support the team. Dave, Trevor, Jamie, Sudsy, and Paul.



Peewee—Blue



Our season has been great so far and we have just concluded the first portion of our Three County schedule. After the teams were split at the second scheduling meeting, we were placed in the top group with six other teams. Our next two months will be challenging for the boys as we play against some strong opponents and we

are confident that the team will be competitive. Our team will be going to the Port Colborne Golden Puck tournament in February –Mariposa has sent many teams down to play over the years and the boys are looking forward to going and having a great time.

Team members include Liam Geddes, Zack Levy, Josh Levy, Tyler Hart-

well, Braedon Garbutt, Mason Myers, Brayden Myers, Curtis Crum, Murray Brown, Cole Brown, Jacob Goodchild, Josh Webster, Eric Thoss, Justin Goodhand and Scott Niles. Thanks also to Brendan Quinn and Leo Davidson who helped the team out when we were short a goalie.

Farrell Garbutt, Dean Myers, Tom Brown

Peewee– Black

"Hockey's a funny game. You have to prove yourself every shift, every game. It's not up to anybody else. You have to take pride in yourself."
Paul Coffey

It is already January and now we are in part two of the season. Our games have been difficult, but we are still having a good time as a team.

Our team consists of Syd in Goal, Defence is: Tucker, Lucas, Warren, Travis, Forwards: Brody, Shawn, Wyatt, Damien, Richard,

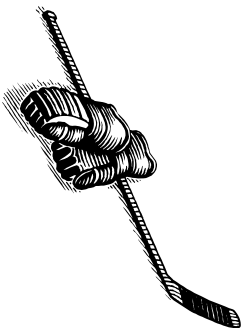
Jayden, and Aiden. We also have two AP players who have helped us out when we have a sick call: Riley, and Greer.

The coaching staff keeps on promoting the positions and we are having lots of development in the practices... Everyone is trying their best, and having fun.

Thanks to the coaching staff; Paul Cave, Chris Fairbairne, and Angela Teel. Additionally we would be lost without our junior helpers Wess and Katie

Thank you
Coach Paul

Peewee– OMHA



Hard to believe we have finished our last regular season game! It certainly has been a challenging and rewarding season for both returning players and the rookies on the team. Very proud to say that our team finished in first place in our

division and this was accomplished by everyone "stepping up" when they were needed as our bench has felt the effects of some injuries/ illness throughout the season!

Thanks to all the parents & siblings who have come out to cheer on the team and a special thanks to the coaching staff...Rick, Rick, Jamie & Dave for all their time!

Looking forward to the playoffs! Go Lightning!!!

Bantam—Blue

The Mariposa Bantam Blue 3 Counties team are a hard working group of players who are showing a lot of heart and effort. All players have shown great improvement as individuals as well as growing as a team!

Huitson, Caleb Devos and Owen Porter.

Forwards leading the charge are Nicholas Goffredo, Derick Head, Gavin Christie, Zachary Devos, Mark Kendrick, Daymond Cook and Marshall Scott.

Thanks as well to a great supporting cast of Mario Goffredo (trainer), Pat Cook (assistant coach), Ian Nicolson (manager) and of course all the parents for their support thus far!



Kyle Pebesma tends the goal and has a great support defense of Wes Huitson, AP Wyatt

The team is looking forward to the second half of the season ready to tear up the opposition!

Go Lightning Go!!

Bantam—Black

We wish the Mariposa Bantam Black team success as they head into the second half of the season.

Bantam—OMHA

Killoran's Foodland OMHA Bantam Team

Our OMHA Bantam team has been working hard and having fun this season and they have the results to prove it. The team recently completed an undefeated regular season finishing in top spot within the Victoria Durham league. The mighty Mariposa team had the best record in the league in all categories with 117 goals for and only 25 goals against posting an impressive 16 wins, 2 ties and 0 losses. This has left them the team with a 1st round buy in the play offs as they anxiously wait for Newcastle and Kawartha to complete a series to see who earns the right to play Mariposa.

The team consists of the following:

#1 Nick King, #30 Courtney Crawford, #2 Tanner Holliday, #3 Blake Norman, #4 Adam Shier, #5 Thomas Loudon, #6 Adam Holliday, #7 Michael Cox, #8 Reid Masters, #10 Max

Field, #12 Grant Turner, #13 David Short, #14 Cooper Ellis-Trent, #15 Andrew Hutchinson, and #16 Brandon Druer.

Supported by coaches:

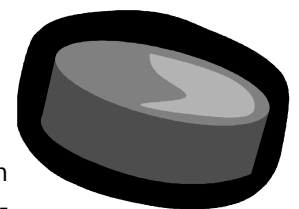
Rick Holliday, Dale Shier, Guy Masters, and Rodger King.

The coaching staff is very fortunate to have parents that are very supportive and a team that never stops working hard.

From the entire OMHA Bantam team we would like to wish all of the Mariposa teams success in the play-offs.

"In Canada, you're not a hockey player until you've lost some teeth."

Andy Bathgate



Midget—Three County



The Mariposa Midget Tri County team has had a good start to their season.

The boys have improved steadily and have worked as a team throughout the season. We have

fought through many injuries and have played short for many of the games so far. We are beginning our second round robin and are looking forward to some good results as we get healthy. Special thanks go out to Justin McCarthy a first year bantam goalie who

stepped up and played for us for the last two months as a result of an injury to our goalie Josh Kimble. Not an easy assignment to play against kids who are much older. Justin stood his ground and played very well. Thanks to a dedicated group of boys and our coaching staff.

Midget—OMHA

"There are two types of forwards. Scorers and bangers. Scorers score and bangers bang."

Ken Dryden



The Buttertarts N More Minor Midget team has just finished the regular season with what many close to the team would say is a very respectable 3-15-2 record. This is an accomplishment for a team made up of primarily 15 year olds along with two 16 year olds in a division with teams made up of many 17 year olds and a few 16 year olds.

On top of the 3 wins, there were many games that we carried a lead or a tie into the 3rd period and just ran out of gas against the bigger and stronger players and wound up on the losing side of the scoreboard.

We were able to obtain a Minor Midget exemption for the 2011-2012 season as the association only registered one major aged Midget player, born in 1994. This player had already signed with the Port Perry Midgets as a non-resident player so there were no players without a spot to play.

As we gear up for playoffs, we know we will have to play hard and smart to be successful against teams from BB and B centres. Our first round competitor is Port Hope and, as of this writing, the schedule has yet to be determined. Check

www.mariposaminorhockey.com for the latest playoff schedule. Our home games are Monday night at 8:30 in Little Britain.

Good luck to all of the other teams about to begin their playoffs. Lets bring home some new Champions Banners to Mariposa this year.

Special thanks to Buttertarts N More for their sponsorship of our team and their ongoing support of Mariposa Minor Hockey.

The Coaching Staff: Rob, Henry, Darren and Brad

New Registration Process



We are currently in the process of improving our registration process to help address some of the issues and concerns we faced at the start of the season. Early registration is the key to an organized, effective hockey season! We will be moving up our registration dates, enforcing a final registration deadline and begin moving towards on-line registration to improve the process make it easily accessible for all our members. Early registration for the 2012-2013 season will take place in the arenas before the end of this season. Dates and times will be posted on the arena bulletin boards and on the website as they approach. Registration deadlines will be enforced and late registers will be denied. Details for on-line registrations will be posted on the website when it becomes available. Thank-you for your support as we roll in the new process.

MMHA Valentine's Dance

"You miss 100 percent of the shots you never take." ~Wayne Gretzky

On Saturday, February 18th we will be having a DJ Dance at the Little Britain Community Centre to help raise money for MMHA. The proceeds to this fundraiser goes directly towards the organization to help keep our hockey registration fees down. So come out and join the fun. Raffle tickets are due Feb. 18th and winners will be drawn at the dance!

Ongoing Communication



Ongoing communication between members and the executive is critical for our organization. We would like to ensure we have up to date information to get information to you. If you did not receive this newsletter by email please let us

know by emailing [**We're on the Web**
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tion@gmail.com . Please provide the name of the team your child or children belong to. This will help us update our email data base and ensure you receive important information in a timely manner.

Calling for Constitution Amendment Items!
Please send any amendments to the constitution to be heard and voted on at the AGM to ann.nicoll@durham.ca and must be received by Feb. 29th 2012.

Wishing all Mariposa Teams success for the remainder of the season....