



The Goal Post 2007 Collingwood Minor Hockey

On-line Registration by ITSportsnet at www.collingwoodhockey.com

Collingwood Minor Hockey will be using ITSportsnet for their online registration for the upcoming 2007/2008 season. You will see changes in the procedures which will make it much more user friendly. Registration this year will be held from July 15th to August 15th inclusive. After the August 15th deadline there will be a **fifty dollar (\$50.00) late fee** and a waiting list may be established. After **September 30th, 2007**, you will not be able to register your child online, you will have to make arrangements directly with C.M.H.A. We will be offering one (1) day to register your child in person especially for all of the new players who will be **required to bring a copy of their birth certificate as required by O.M.H.A. regulations**. It will be held on **Friday August 3rd, 2007** from **3:00 pm. to 8:00 pm.** Upstairs of the National Trust Bank on Hurontario Street, Collingwood.

Everyone who has registered their child for this season and their payment has been received before **July 31st, 2007**, will qualify to have their child's name entered in a draw for one (1) of three (3) opportunities to win a free two (2) week power skating lessons that will be held at Eddie Bush Arena in Collingwood. Thanks so much to Jan Hulme, from SK8 Georgian Bay for her generous donation to C.M.H.A.

Bantam and Midget players that maybe trying out for other junior teams, **must register with C.M.H.A. by August 15th, 2007**. Post dated cheques will be accepted pending outcome of the Junior tryouts.

How to Register: Visit our website at www.collingwoodhockey.com and click on the link provided that will take you to ITSportsnet Online Registration, after that simply follow the prompts.

Payment can be made by Visa, Master Card or cheque, or money order. No cash payments will be accepted.

You can drop off your cheque at the U.P.S. Store for C.M.H.A. 115 First Street, Suite # 505, Collingwood, Ontario L9Y 4W3.

Registration Fees:

Chips 1	-	2001 – 2002	\$ 95.00
Chips 2	-	2000 - 2001	\$ 150.00
Novice	-	1999 - 2000	\$ 360.00
Atom	-	1997 - 1998	\$ 360.00
Pewee	-	1995 - 1996	\$ 380.00
Bantam	-	1993 - 1994	\$ 380.00
Midget	-	1990 - 1992	\$ 400.00

Rep fees will cost an **additional \$100.00** to the above fees.

N.S.F. cheques will be charged a \$20.00 fee.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Registration Chairperson, Diana Mugford at 446-0414 or at muggsy@rogers.com

Message from the President

The 2007/2008 Board of Directors were elect in April at the AGM. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the out going Board Members for all of their hard work and dedication. I would like to welcome the new and the re-elected Board Members to the C.M.H.A. I look forward to working with everyone this year. We are happy to announce that once again, we have been able avoid an increase in C.M.H.A. registration fees. With the efforts of more than 100 volunteers and over 25 sponsors and close to 400 minor hockey players in our community are provided the opportunity to play organized hockey. Be sure to thank the coaches, trainers, managers, and other volunteers who dedicate their time for the kids. If you have some time available why not volunteer yourself. Whether it be part of the coaching staff of a team, joining the Board of Directors, or assisting with a tournament or with fundraising, we can use your help! Have a great season and I look forward to seeing you around the rink!

Dave Pearce, President C.M.H.A.

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C.M.H.A. continues successful team gates

Once again the Collingwood Minor Hockey Association will pass the net fundraising from the gate directly to the teams. Each team will collect the gate fees for one (1) hour prior to the start of their game. The shared fundraising fees due to C.M.H.A. will be **\$900.00** for BB and AE teams and the Local League will pay **\$750.00** fees. Universal passes will be issued by C.M.H.A. to all teams who wish to sell them for \$30.00 each. The pass will allow the holder entrance to all regular season and playoff games at the Eddie Bush Arena. **The C.M.H.A. Board of Directors has decided that C.M.H.A. will no longer issue any refunds to teams for gate fees paid over and above their fees that were paid for the end of the season.**

Chips Program (Canadian Hockey Initiation Program)

The successful Chip Program will operate for its 8th season. In this program the young hockey players participate in hockey activities preparing them for their progression to the NHL. The Novice Hockey League is for boys and girls 7 and 8 years old. Chips's hockey is divided into two levels.

Chip 1 – Is for 5 and 6 year olds in their first year of hockey. The participant should be steady on their feet in skates, able to stand without assistance. All players are required to wear all hockey gear including a mouth guard.

Chip 2 – Is for the 6 year old graduates of Chip 1 and older children new to the game. All players are required to wear all hockey gear including a mouth guard.

The Chips hockey is not a traveling team and they do not go out of town to play games. In house games are played late in the season in Chips 2.

The Chips program focuses on developing the skills of young players in order to play regular games in Novice.

The boys and girls learn the fundamentals of the game in a safe and fun atmosphere. This program is very fun and affordable introduction to hockey.

Both levels start in the 3rd or 4th week in September and run through till mid March. Please contact Coach Kelly at 445-2060 or at K.hastings@sympatico.ca with any questions or concerns.

Goaltender's Equipment changes to the size for 2008/2009

At the 2006 Hockey Canada AGM, a motion was passed regarding changes to the size of Goaltending Equipment effective the **2008-2009 season.**

Hockey Canada Playing Rule Number: Rule 23. Goaltenders Equipment

The Change of size of goaltending equipment will come into effect for the start of 2008-2009 season, therefore allowing two (2) full seasons for equipment purchase/use transition by both the consumer and manufacturer. These changes reflect the same sizes of goaltending equipment within the IIHF and NHL. Hockey Canada will continue to discuss and notify equipment manufacturers and its membership regarding these goaltending equipment changes for 2008-2009.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Ian Taylor, Director, Development Programs Ontario Minor Hockey Association at ian.taylor@omha.net

Upcoming Training Clinics being offered

Refresher Coaching Clinic:	Presently having a coaching certificate that needs renewed.
Development One Clinic:	To Coach Rep Peewee to Juvenile. (Dates it will be held on September 15th & 16th)
Coach Stream Clinic:	To coach House/Local League Novice to Juvenile and Rep Novice to Atom.
Chip Initiation Program:	To Coach Chip and Novice
Trainers:	Needed for all levels of hockey
Preventative Services (PRS):	Needed for all Coaches and team officials this is mandatory.

Check our Website for the dates that the Clinics are being offered.

If you require a Clinic please call and book your registration as spaces fill up quickly.

C.M.H.A. will pay for the cost of the Clinic if you are involved with a team.

Police Record Check

The C.M.H.A. Board has passed the following rule in our Operations Manual which can be found on our website for the 2007/2008 season.

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7. g) All coaches and Officials of each team shall be responsible to submit a valid Police Record Check on or before the team's first game or by October 5th of each year, whichever comes first. Failing to submit a valid Police Record Check could lead to suspension of that Team Official.
- 12.c) Players are permitted to attend their own team's (or affiliate team) practices only. Players are not permitted to attend any practice other than their own. (ie: sibling, friend, father's team etc.)
- d) Only those individuals with valid coaching certificates, a valid PRS number and who are listed on a team roster are permitted to be on the ice during practice or games. O.M.H.A. Insurance does not cover any other individual except for those mentioned above.
- e) Team Officials must verify with Rep/Local/House League Convenor if they require the assistance of a C.M.H.A. Player who is not rostered with that team for on ice practice.

Coaches needed for Local League

The deadline has passed for Rep coach applications but there are still coaching opportunities available in Local League visit our website and fill out a volunteer application and mail it to Collingwood Minor Hockey Association, c/o The UPS Store, 115 First Street, Suite # 505, Collingwood, Ontario L9Y 4W3.

If you have never coached, it is a very rewarding experience and it entitles you to have a lot of fun with the kids and you get the best seat in the house for every game. Every team needs a Coach, Assistant, Trainer and Manager. So don't wait any longer, plan to get involved. C.M.H.A. will even pay for all your required certification.

Zero Tolerance

Unfortunately, each year we experience too many incidents of unacceptable conduct on the part of some parents, coaches and players. The abuse, whether physical or verbal, of officials, volunteers or C.M.H.A. Representatives cannot be tolerated, nor will dirty play which far exceeds accepted parameters or which is intended to cause deliberate injury.

Your Board of Directors is determined to review and improve the standard of behaviour by all participants, whether on the ice, on the bench, in the dressing room, or in the stands. Be reminded, as well, that the use of drugs or alcohol of any kind is not permitted while players are under C.M.H.A. supervision. Team officials are similarly forbidden to partake while acting on behalf of the C.M.H.A.

Rep Team Tryouts – start Monday September 3rd, 2007

BB team tryouts will begin on Monday September 3rd, 2007, allowing families to travel and enjoy the last long weekend of the summer.

The cost of each BB team tryouts will be **\$10.00 (a one time fee only)** however, releases may be given after the first tryout at the Head Coach's discretion. There will be no charge for AE tryouts. As always you must attend the BB team tryouts and be released by the Head Coach to play on the AE team.

The entire Collingwood Minor Hockey Association will be registered as a BB Centre with each division offering a BB and AE entry except in Novice which will only have a BB team. This is based on our current participant expectations and is subject to change if necessary.

It is the Head Coach's decision whether or not to release a player after the first tryout.

The Head Coach can only choose up to 17 players for most teams. It is a very difficult decision for the Coach and equally disappointing for the hockey player and their parents when not chosen. Please encourage your child to try their best and know that there may be disappointment.

To find out the tryout times stop by the Eddie Bush Arena and check their Bulletin Board or visit our Website at www.collingwoodhockey.com