



### WGHA AGM – May 21, 2014

Attendance: Michele Brenneman, Val Sanderson, Peter Postrozney, Leslie Morton, Lori Spoltore, Yolanda Galambos – Deep, Melanie James, Douge Hammer, Tabatha McIntyre, Sandra Cook, Jeff Bingeman, Warren Vance, Darren Chapman, Lisa Clifford, Holly Bast, Colleen Huras, Erica van Rooyen, Darlene Vorstenbosch, Betty Solomon (OWHA), Stephen Dajka

#### Order of Business

1. Call to order – by Val Sanderson
2. Adoption of minutes of previous AGM → Motion to accept Tabatha, Second by Erica → Carried
3. Business arising from the minutes:

#### A. President's report – Val Sanderson

Welcome to everyone who is attending our 2014 AGM tonight. We appreciate you taking the time out of your evening to participate in the business of the WGHA. Thanks also to the many of you who volunteer your time with your daughters' teams and put in countless hours to keep our hockey organization running smoothly.

Tonight I would like to extend a special thanks to someone who has been a driving force since the formation of the Wilmot Girls Hockey Association, and who was our very first President, Peter Postrozny. Peter held the role of President for our first four years, guiding and moulding our organization into what it is today. Peter has held the role of Past President for the past three years, and he is now ready to step down from his 'official' Executive role. Peter, I know I speak for everyone here when I say that you have done an amazing job with the WGHA – you have been a fantastic leader and mentor over the years, and we will miss you on the Executive. Of course, we hope you stay very involved with the WGHA in any capacity that you choose, in the coming years!

#### Season in Review

##### Ice Time

- As it is every year, ice time continues to be the biggest concern for the WGHA
- This past year we ran 13 teams plus junior Fundamentals and Women's Fundamentals, for a total of 15 separate groups of skaters. We are anticipating the net addition of one more team this coming year (one less team at Peewee for a total of three PW teams, one more team at Bantam for a total of three Bantam teams, and one more team at Midget for a total of three Midget teams)
- We will be acquiring additional ice to support this extra team – we are looking at both the WRC and at nearby facilities

- Our ice scheduler did a great job this season of rotating the early 6:30 AM Friday morning and 4:30 PM ice through the teams who could make use of it; we know these can be more challenging times for both coaches and parents

#### Financial

- WGHA continues to be in solid financial shape
  - The Kyla Kowalik Tournament continues to be a significant and important fundraiser
  - Raffle ticket fundraiser – new format generated lots of excitement about prizes
  - Our ‘Girls Got Game’ summer hockey camp was again a huge success in 2013 and it filled up extremely quickly for our 2014 camp – there are only a couple of spots left
  - Particular thanks to our Directors who run these events – Lisa Clifford, Lori Spoltore, and Holly Bast
  - We appreciate the continued support of our community sponsors
- Ice time costs continue to go up marginally
  - We experienced a 1.3 % increase for 2013-2014
  - We are expecting another small 1.2% increase for ice during the 2014-2015 season

#### Issues

- We have fielded some concerns about the distribution of ice times among our WGHA teams
- There will be a presentation on this further into this meeting
- Generally, teams will have to expect more early morning and early weekday evening practice times and older teams will have to accept later evening practice times, as we try to maximize use of our allotted block of ice time until Wilmot can open a third ice pad to alleviate the shortage
- Also, some teams may be assigned practice times at other arenas if we can secure a couple of hours of ice outside of the WRC – use of ice times outside the WRC would likely be limited to Rep teams

#### New Initiatives and Highlights

- For the first time, WGHA iced three teams at the BB level - Peewee BB, Bantam BB, Midget BB
- Wilmot Optimist Youth Appreciation – Karley Dajka was our winner
- Coming soon – OWHA Respect in Sports program 14-05-21

All in all, the year has been a very successful one, and again, thanks to all of you for your many and various contributions to this success.

Thank you.

Val Sanderson  
President, WGHA

**Motions for Amendments to the WGHA Constitution**  
**Submitted April 16, 2014**

**Housekeeping:**

None

**Proposed Amendments:**

**Amendment 1**

Submitted by WGHA Executive

Article 6, item xi (Duties and Responsibilities, Equipment Director)

Add:               - *to be responsible for Jersey and Sock Management (ordering, inventory, replacement)*

Rationale: This duty belongs under Equipment Director.

**Motion: T. McIntyre**

**Seconded: L. Morton**

**Amendment 2 (a)**

Submitted by WGHA Executive

At all places where 'Development Director' appears in the Constitution document, as listed below this proposed change:

Remove:           '*Development Director*'

Add:               '*Director of Staff Development*'

Add:               '*Director of Player Development*'

List of articles where this change is required:

**Article 5, item i (Executive)**

**Article 7, item xiii, f) (Meetings; AGM Order of Business, Other Reports)**

Rationale: The job of the Development Director has grown to a point that it needs to be split into two distinct roles, handled by two Executive Directors instead of just one. The logical split is to have a Director of Staff Development and a Director of Player Development. See Amendment 1 (b) for duties of each new Director position.

**Motion: H. Bast**

**Seconded: V. Sanderson**

**Amendment 2 (b)**

Submitted by WGHA Executive

**Article 6, item x** (Duties and Responsibilities, Development Director)

Remove: All text under item (x).

Add: *'Director of Staff Development*

- *Facilitates the coach selection process*
- *Shall maintain record of all applications and credentials for team staff*
- *Shall coordinate the training of coaches through the use of the appropriate clinics (ie. Coach clinics, prevention services clinics, body contact clinics, etc.)*
- *Clinics will be determined on a season by season basis and the number and content of the clinics will not be limited by the list described above*
- *Sends out feedback forms to all parents for mid-year (if applicable) and year-end evaluations*
- *Self or spouse cannot hold a head coaching position on any Wilmot Wolverine team'*

Rationale: The job of the Development Director has grown to a point that it needs to be split into two distinct roles. The Director of Staff Development will handle team staff development initiatives as described. The list of clinics will be determined on a season by season basis and is not limited by the list described above.

**Motion: H. Bast****Seconded: V. Sanderson****Amendment 2 (c) - Submitted by WGHA Executive****Article 6, item x xi through Xvi** (Duties and Responsibilities)Change: *Re-number items xi through xvi, to be items xii through xvii.*

Rationale: To make room to add the new 'Director of Player Development' at item xi.

**Motion: H. Bast****Seconded: V. Sanderson****Amendment 2 (d)**

Submitted by WGHA Executive

**Article 6, item xi** (Duties and Responsibilities, new Director)Add: *'(xi) Director of Player Development*

- *Shall coordinate the planning of the summer hockey camp*
- *Shall coordinate the training of players through the use of the appropriate clinics (eg. Power skating clinics, goalie clinics, body contact clinics, etc)*

- *Clinics will be determined on a season by season basis and the number and content of the clinics offered will not be limited by the list described above'*

Rationale: The job of the Development Director has grown to a point that it needs to be split into two distinct roles. The Director of Player Development will handle player development initiatives as described. The list of clinics will be determined on a season by season basis and is not limited by the list described above.

**Motion: H. Bast**

**Seconded: V. Sanderson**

### **Amendment 3**

**Submitted by WGHA Executive**

**Add: Article 10: Life Membership**

Add:

#### *(i) Past President*

*The out-going Past President shall be appointed, at the discretion of the Executive, an honorary "Life Member" of the Wilmot Girls Hockey Association. As such this membership shall allow the appointee voting privileges as an active member of the WGHA.*

*Executive non- voting privileges may also be granted provided such "Life Member" is deemed, by majority vote of the Executive, to have remained a continuously active member by attending Executive meetings and/or participating in committees.*

Rationale: In order to provide a means for the out-going Past President to continue to contribute to activities of the WGHA, and remain an active member even if they no longer have a child playing for a WGHA team.

**Motion: M. Brenneman**

**Seconded: C. Huras → Carried**

**Correction – of second paragraph**

**Motion to remove second paragraph by Michele Brenneman, Second by Peter P**

**Motions for Amendments to the WGHA Bylaws**  
**Submitted April 16, 2014**

**Housekeeping**

**Bylaw #2: Executive**

Add: 'Webmaster' after Director at Large #2

Rationale:

This addition was passed at the 2013 AGM but was omitted when the Bylaw document was modified and posted.

**Motion: V. Sanderson**

**Seconded: M. Brenneman → Carried**

---

**Amendment 1**

**Submitted by WGHA Executive**

**Bylaw #2, Executive, item b), (Elections)**

Change: *'Development Director'*  
 To: *'Director of Staff Development'*  
 Add: *'Director of Player Development'*

Rationale:

To align WGHA Bylaws document with changes to the WGHA Constitution document.

**Motion: M. Brenneman**

**Seconded: C. Huras → Carried**

---

**Amendment 2 (a)**

**Submitted by WGHA Executive**

**Bylaw #2, Executive, item c), Duties, Equipment Director**

Add: *' to be responsible for Jersey and Sock Management (ordering, inventory, replacement)'*

Rationale: This duty belongs under Equipment Director.

**Motion: T. McIntyre**

**Seconded: L. Morton → Carried**

---

**Amendment 2 (b)**

Submitted by WGHA Executive

**Bylaw #2, Executive, item c), Duties, Development Director**Change: *'Development Director'*To: *'Director of Staff Development'*Remove: *All text describing the Development Director Duties*Add: *'- Facilitates the coach selection process*

- Shall maintain record of all applications and credentials for team staff*
- Shall coordinate the training of coaches through the use of the appropriate clinics (ie. Coach clinics, prevention services clinics, body contact clinics, etc.)*
- Clinics will be determined on a season by season basis and the number and content of the clinics will not be limited by the list described above*
- Sends out feedback forms to all parents for mid-year (if applicable) and year-end evaluations*

Add: *'Director of Player Development*

- 'Shall coordinate the planning of the summer hockey camp*
- Shall coordinate the training of players through the use of the appropriate clinics (eg. Power skating clinics, goalie clinics, body contact clinics, etc)*
- Clinics will be determined on a season by season basis and the number and content of the clinics offered will not be limited by the list described above '*

Rationale:

To align WGHA Bylaws document with changes to the WGHA Constitution document.

**Motion: M. Brenneman****Seconded: C. Huras → Carried**

## B. Treasures' Report – Colleen Huras

- Seebach Statement (see attached) – Motion to accept the motions by Colleen Huras, Second by Erica van Rooyen → Carried
- Budget 2014 – 2015) – Motion to accept the 2014 -2015 Budget by Colleen Huras, Second by Darlene V → Carried

<b>2014-15 Revenue</b>	<b>Budget \$</b>
Registration Fees	115,702
Financial Assistance	(750)
Rep Fees	27,600
Try-out Fees	3,750
Sponsorships - Jerseys & Socks	12,400
Fundraising	14,700
Tournament Sponsorship	1,650
Tournament Revenue	24,000
Tournament - Fundraising	1,923
Interest	425
Summer Camp Revenue	33,600
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b><u>235,000</u></b>

<b>Expenses</b>	
Ice Time - Local Season	98,231
Iceless Time	4,522
Ice Time - Try-outs	8,263
Referees and Time Keepers	18,120
Ice Scheduler	1,500
Team Staff Certifications	2,339
Fundraising Expenses	2,468
League Fees (KW and LLFHL)	3,805
OWHA - Annual Fees	19,126
Jerseys and Socks	11,591
Equipment (Player/Team Use)	1,000
Printing/Copying/Postage/PO Box	1,007
Web Site	1,335
Misc. (Mileage)	600
Advertising - General and Ice Logo	600
Bank Fees (incl. ITSportsnet fees)	3,608
Insurance	1,120
Tournament Expense (inc Ice, Ref, TK)	17,190
Rep Team Expenses	6,700
Development	3,600
Coaching Tools	200



Women's Fundamentals - Instructor	700
Office Equipment	500
Equipment Room	100
Awards & Bursaries	6,678
Telephone Fax Internet	1,916
Accounting and Legal	637
Summer Camp	23,229
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b><u>240,682</u></b>
 <b>Surplus</b>	 <b><u>(5,682)</u></b>

*Motion presented by Colleen Huras to approve 'Seebach Professional Corporation' as the **accountant** for next year. Second by Lori Spoltore → Carried*

### *C. Vice-President – Michele Brenneman*

Thank you to our coaches, trainers, and parent volunteers that step up to help us make this the great organization that we have. You have all contributed to our continued success as we complete our 7<sup>th</sup> season as an organization. We had 15 teams (2 include the ladies and youth fundamentals) of which we had 251 players registered this season, the most ever. All teams with the exception of our Pee Wee LL teams were full.

I also want to recognize our current executive who are all passionate about Female hockey and are all looking at ways to make things better for our association.

This season we added a new team - our Senior C team which played in the Southwest Women's Hockey league. With adding a senior team, Wilmot is now considered a Full association having teams at all levels including Senior. Although the team experienced a very serious issue that threatened to fold the team in November, the players that remained helped to keep things going with some help from the midget LL team.

I would also like to note that we had our first wolverine play internationally. Alex Glencross a member of the senior team took part in the 2014 Pan American Tournament in Mexico City in March. The OWHA had sent a request for players and teams. A senior a team from Sudbury went as well as a group of 16 players that were assembled into the other team. The Sudbury team won the Gold. Alex mentioned that it was a fantastic experience for her. There were players attending from Mexico, Brazil, Columbia, Argentina and Canada. The other Ontario team of which Alex played on finished in 3<sup>rd</sup>.

We continued with our iceless practices this year and continue to be well received by the teams that took advantage of this. The challenges that were presented though included the renovations that took place at the New Hamburg arena in the lobby area and our extremely cold winter, which made the arena extremely cold and provided conditions that were not suitable for having our players practice there.

We attempted to pull together our first DS team in peewee, however we did not have enough interest to successfully field this team.

### OWHA Annual General Meeting –May 10, 2014

The guest speaker at the OWHA annual meeting this year was Brian Hart, the OWHA head scout. Brian spoke about reinforcing the idea with all our coaches whether it is a rep or LL team that all players play, that there should be no shortening of the bench. The only way players can learn all parts of the game is by playing and being given the opportunity to play. It's tough on the players when they are at a game and they sit on the bench more than they play. Minor hockey is about development. The championships are the byproduct of playing and developing your players.

There is going to be a new U16 program for the OWHA – similar to the U18 program to develop the players at the highest level. He noted that Ontario is very deep in talent, we have a great source of players and many have moved on to play at the highest level.

I would like to make a comment about some feedback that we have received this year regarding team sizes for the Representative teams. We had a question about the number of players that we take on our rep teams. The comment was why we would not have taken fewer players thus creating a stronger rep team. In response to this question, our first priority in this hockey association is development. In order to develop more players, you need to expose them if possible to higher levels of hockey. In most cases the players tend to play to the level they are playing in. If we limited the number of rep spots to 12 or 13 skaters, there would be those 2 or 3 players who would be denied the opportunity to play at a higher level and as a result you may miss some really great players, that through hard work and determination develop into some terrific players. We also have more girls playing in our association and in order to have as many spots available – we need to take full teams.

Secondly, we had some questions around three of our teams playing at the BB level. They all had great seasons, although the midget team missed the playoffs, it by a tiebreaker. That team was in most of their games. Had they played at B the chances are they would have been recategorized up to BB anyway.

All our teams that played at BB, did well, we may not have won championships, but if you look at the play of the teams, they were never really blown out and the outcome of many of the games could have went either way. As a result we had three teams of players playing at a higher level. Wilmot has come a long way since our first year of 5 teams. Our players are hardworking and competitive, whether playing representative or Local League.

#### OWHA – Meeting Notes

1. Cyber bullying – noted that several high profile news television programs are now investigating the infamous network 54 where a great deal of cyber bullying takes place.
2. Cyber bullying – need to look at the adults as well as the players that are involved note – suspensions have been given this season for Cyber bullying
3. Discussion around mental health issues – we were given some good information sheets about mental health and cyber bullying
4. Items for vote - the mouth guard issue was table to the 2015 meeting. The wording of the motion was very vague and needed to be reworked.
5. A motion was brought forward and defeated about limiting AA teams to just one team per association. The issue had this been passed was that larger centers who could field the AA teams

would be looking at implementing a no import policy had this passed. As a result many girls that come from smaller centers looking to play at a higher level would have not had the opportunity to do so.

6. Respect in Sport parent program – the OMHA has mandated this program for all parents; the OWHA had tabled a motion to recommend that one parent or guardian take this program. This was defeated. Our association supports parents taking this program, and will be making the link available on our website, however, we are not making it mandatory. It is a great program, which takes about an hour to complete. It not only deals with respecting the coaches and officials, but also about keeping things in perspective for your child as well as some great information about nutrition, fitness and your child's overall well-being.
7. Registration – if a player has taken a year or two off and then goes to a new association to play hockey, they are still required to obtain a release from their previous center.

I would like to note that the OWHA would be celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> season. That is very exciting for women's hockey.

Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of this great association. I look forward to the many more great things that we will do in the coming seasons.

Respectfully

Michele Brenneman  
Vice President.

### *D. Registrar - Mel Weiler*

Registration continues to grow in the WGHA. Total players for this current season topped 245. We increased by two teams - we added a second team in Midget, but only had two teams in Novice and Atom, in Pee Wee we had 4 teams plus the addition of the Senior team.

Here is the break down by levels and the previous levels of players registered with a comparison to the 2012-2013 season.

Age Level	2012-2013 Registration	2013-2014 Registration	Increase/ Decrease	Anticipated Registration 2014-2015	Anticipated Teams 2014-2015
<b>Fundamentals</b>	23	19	-4*	8R +15 new	1 Fundamentals
<b>Novice</b>	27	6 players were fundamental age- total = 32	+5	31R + 10 new = 42	3 – 1 Nov B, 2 Nov HL –only if registration reaches 36-39 there will be 3 teams
<b>Atom</b>	39	32	-7	27 ret plus 5 new = 32 – could go to 34	2 teams – Atom B(BB) Atom HL
<b>Pee Wee</b>	48	56	+8	43 ret plus 3 new = 45	3 teams – Pee Wee B(BB) Pee Wee C 1 HL
<b>Bantam</b>	30	33	+3	42 ret plus 3 new = 45	3 teams – Bantam BB, Bantam C plus 1 HL –
<b>Midget</b>	18	Note – 3 Bantam Aged players played on Midget LL - 34	+16	42 return plus 3 new = 45	3 teams – Midget BB, Midget C and Midget HL
<b>Senior</b>		12	+12	Anticipating 11 returning players plus 9 new	Senior B/C
<b>Ladies Fund</b>	27	27	0	20 – due to the change in time we anticipate a drop in registration here	
<b>Totals</b>	212	245	33		

Some of the challenges faces this season include:

1. For the first time, we had to turn players away in Atom as we were full, but not enough players were registered to add a third team
2. Senior Team almost folded, due to an incident involving a player and coach, the team lost 5 players plus one to injury. Fortunately the team then picked up three new players and with help from the Midget LL team were able to continue.

3. \*In order for the Novice teams to proceed, we moved up 6 Fundamental age players. These players had completed two years of Fundamentals.
4. In Bantam – we accommodated the extra players at this level by moving up three second year Bantam players to the Midget LL team. The Midget LL team comprised of more than half of the team being first year players.

#### 2014-2015 Season

If most of the players return this season, we are looking at adding one, possibly two more teams. Given our current icetime allotment, many will question if this is possible. One team will potentially be added at the novice level, these teams will most likely share ice. If we have the numbers in Midget, we will be adding a team at that level and will be looking to secure additional ice to support this team. In the midget level it is more difficult to determine as some players do leave do to other commitments such as part time jobs, high school interests.

We look forward to another exciting season for our Wolverines.

Melanie Weiler.

## *E. Development Director – Holly Bast*

### **Pre-Season Skate – “Dust the Rust Off”**

- Last week of August 2013
- Each age group was offered two sessions
- Lead by Kevin Winters, New Hamburg Skating Club
- Feedback: Great to get the players back on skates again and get warmed up, but many also suggested we should consider an Instructor with more hockey related experience

### **Goalie Coach Clinic – Led by Liam Johnston with The Goalie Consultants**

- Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013
- 1 ½ hours in classroom, 1 hour on ice
- Each team was required to send their designated goalie coach
- Costs were shared with the Stratford Aces
- Goal: Provide our goalie coaches with valuable drills and skills to support the development of the goalies in their four sessions
- Feedback: Both coaches new to the goalie coach role and coaches with experience were able to pick up valuable information and feel they were being consistent with what the goalies were working on in their training



### **Goalie Training Sessions – Led by Liam Johnston with The Goalie Consultants**

- 4 sessions: October 27<sup>th</sup>, November 17<sup>th</sup>, December 1<sup>st</sup>, January 19<sup>th</sup>
- 1 hour each session
- Open to all Wolverine goalies
- Cost covered by WGHA, players paid a deposit for each session they registered for and received their money back in full if they attended the sessions they registered for
- Goal: To develop both our new and experienced goalies
- Feedback: excellent structure of drills in small groups allowing for individual attention for each goalie



### **Body Contact Clinic – Led by ES Hockey Training**

- Sunday, October 6th, 2013
- Open to Peewee and Bantam Aged Players
- \$10/player, WGHA helped offset the costs
- Goal: Prepare our players for the incidental contact that occurs in the game, trying to reduce the number of injuries, especially head injuries (concussions)
- Feedback: Excellent development session for this age group; helps players to see the importance of keeping their head up, and learn important positioning along the boards. Coaches felt this would be valuable to Atom aged players mid-season



### **Coach Development Sessions – Led by ES Hockey Training**

- Six sessions: Beginning of October, November, December, January, February, and March
- 30 minutes of chalk-talk, and one hour on ice with two Wolverine teams each session
- WGHA paid initiative
- Goal: Provide regular communication with a valuable resource, focus on a variety of skills throughout the season
- Feedback: Excellent development opportunity. Would be ideal if this ice time was in addition to the team's regular ice time that week, instead of replacing it. Coaches felt that every session was important in helping them prepare for each aspect of the season, including playoff strategies



### **Year End Coaches Feedback Meeting**

- Held March 31<sup>st</sup>, prior to Volunteer Appreciation Event
- Meeting was in addition to the Year End Surveys open to all coaching staff members
- Each time was asked to have one or two staff members to attend to share their feedback
- Discussed a variety of topics from the current year (development initiatives, # of teams and levels of categorization, league experiences)
- Collected suggestions to assist with plans for next season

### **GIRLS GOT GAME 2014 – SUMMER CAMP**

- To be held in Tavistock July 21-25<sup>th</sup>
- Limited spaces remaining at Novice Level (4players), 1 goalie (Atom Level), 1 goalie (Peewee +)

### F. Equipment Director – Sandra Cook

- Equipment Director completed WGHA equipment inventory May 14, 2014.
- Below is a detail listing of WGHA equipment.
- There are still a couple of teams with outstanding items to be returned and have been contacted. Overall the equipment is in good- very good condition.
- For next season, we are in need of replacement water bottles. The lids are not in good condition and should be replaced. We also need to replace our iceless practice supplies. We are need of green biscuits and biscuits that can be used for shooting.

Goalie Equipment		First Aid/Other Supplies		Dryland Equipment		Pinnies	
Item	Qty	Item	Qty	Item	Qty	Color	Qty
Neck protector	3	Ice packs, bandages	6	Exercise Ladders	3	Blue	20
Goalie Sticks	8	Brand new pucks	67	Passing Triangles	2	Red	24
Goalie Skates	Size 3	Pylons	54 sm, 20 med, 4 lrg	Med. Balls	4	Yellow	17
Hockey Bags	4	Extra Water Carriers	3	Attack System with Sticks	10	Green	40
		Extra Jerseys	NC	Orange Hockey Balls	15	Black	11
				Biscuits	NR	White	10

NR = Not Returned | NRE = Needs Replacement | NC = Not Counted | WO = Written On

Inventory as of May 14, 2014							
Team	Pucks	First Aid Kits	Jerseys Home	Jerseys Away	Bottles Carriers	Water Bottles	Lock
Novice LL	26	Yes	19	19	1	0	Yes
Novice B	NR	NRE	NR	NR	NR	NRE	NO
Atom LL	26	Yes	19	22	1	15	Yes
Atom B	26	Yes	22	23	1	16	Yes
Peewee 1	Missing	Yes	19	18	1	15	Yes
Peewee 2	26	Yes	19	20	1	0	Yes
Peewee C	26	Yes	20	19	2	16	Yes
Peewee BB	NR	NR	19	21	1	0	Yes
Bantam LL	26	Yes	20	18	1	15	Yes
Bantam BB	NR	Yes	19	19	1	17 WO	Yes
Midget LL	26	Yes	16	17	1	13	Yes
Midget BB	26	Yes	19	20	1	16 WO	NO
Senior C	NR	Yes	18	20	1	16	Yes
Fundamentals	Bucket blue	Yes	NC	NC	2	NC	Yes



Goalie Pads			Chest Protector		
Brand	Size	Condition	Brand	Size	Condition
Vaughn	29"	Excellent	RBK	Jr Med	Good
RBK	25"	Good	O Briens	?	Fair
Sherwood	26"	Fair	Bauer	Adult Small	Good
Vaughn	28"	Very Good	Vaughn	Jr Med-Large	Very Good
DR	28"	Fair	Itech	Y Small	Fair
RBK	27"	Good	TPS R4	?	Good
Simmons	29"	Fair	Sherwood	Y Med	Good
DR	22"	Good	Bauer	Y Small	Good
Vaughn	22"	Very Good	Itech	Y Small	Good
DR	24"	Good			
Vaughn	20"	Good			
Itech	30"	Good			
Vaughn	20" + 1	Very Good			
Rd Hockey Pads		Excellent			
R9 Reevo	3 sets Fundamental	Good			

Blocker			Trapper		
Brand	Size	Condition	Brand	Size	Condition
Vaughn	B700	Good	Vaughn	T660	Poor
RBK	6K Jr	Good	Itech	4.8 Youth	Good
Vaughn	B7100	Good	Vaughn	7100 Reg	Good
Sherwood	C5	Good	Vaughn	T7100	Good
Bauer	?	Good	Sherwood	S	Good
Vaughn	B660	Fair	RBK	JR 6K	Good
Bauer	xcomp	Fair	Bauer	xcomp	Good
RBK	Jr 2K	Good	Sherwood	5	Fair
Reebok	GBJR	Good	Vaughn	T700	Good
Vaughn	B7100	Good	RBK	Y2K	Good
Bauer	OneSS	Good	Bauer	Xcomp Jr	Good
Bauer	Xcomp	Good			

## *G. Fundraising Director – Lori Spoltore*

### **FUNDRAISING RAFFLE**

Decided to have a larger raffle with three prizes instead of smaller prizes.

- 1st Prize - Gold Leafs tickets (4), Keg, CN Tour, hotel, Visa card, jerseys - Louise Drygala
- 2nd Prize - Reds (2) Leafs tickets, Keg, jerseys, limosine ride - Andrea West (mom)
- 3rd Prize - Rangers tix x 2, dinner vouchers, Rangers wear - Jeff Bingeman

2000 tickets were ordered - on sale November 1.

2000 x \$10 = \$20,000

20% of money = \$4000

\*Prize values exceeded \$4000

- Fundraising fee were already paid by members with registration
- 1400 tickets were distributed for members to earn back their \$70 fundraising fee by selling their tickets. (200 x 7)

600 additional tickets were printed.

- Some sold by Sr C team
- 445 tickets were sold with an incentive to all players that their names go in a draw to win a free registration with WGHA.
- Winner - Lacy Smith

146 were returned/remained

- 9 unsold - not returned
- Unclaimed possible profit (\$1550)

Expenses for Raffle:

- \$2396
- Included: lottery license, hockey tickets, gift cards, limo, hotel, and misc.

Revenue: \$5018

Additional profit of \$2622

### **General Feedback:**

- People liked the larger prizes
- Tickets fairly easy to sell
- Was well advertised at arena

### **Going Forward (to improve):**

- More donated items
- Tracking of tickets was difficult because of printer (free printing due to errors)
- Have ready to sell before Thanksgiving if possible
- Collection of ticket stubs difficult - many placed in office mail slot

## **JERSEY SPONSORSHIPS**

\*\*\*Our deepest gratitude to our jersey sponsors. 13 teams in total minus FUNdamentals.

### Jersey Sponsors

FUNdamentals - Tim Horton's - Timbits Fundamentals Program

Novice B - Driftwood Martial Arts

Novice HL - Bowden's Plumbing

Atom B - B-W Feed & Seed Ltd.

Atom HL - Absolute Fitness & Personal Training

PeeWee B/BB - NH Legion Br. 532 Ladies Auxiliary

PeeWee C - Hearthstone Homes

PeeWee HL #1 - Mackay's nofrills

PeeWee HL #2 - SAF Drives Inc.

Bantam B/BB - Cooks Pharmacy

Bantam HL - Snow's Appliance

Midget BB - EJ's at Baden

Midget HL - Optimists Club of New Hamburg

Sr. C - Stitch Graphix

### Association Sponsors

Erb Group of Companies - Platinum Tournament Sponsor

Cooks Pharmacy - Platinum Tournament Sponsor

Optimist Club of Wilmot - Platinum Tournament Sponsor (water bottles)

New Hamburg Optimist – Tournament Sponsor

New sponsor added - SAF Drives.

Returning sponsorship \$650 for existing, \$750 for one at new rate, and a new sponsorship is \$1500 for 2 years.

Sponsors name appears on website, in any newspaper articles, and on the backs of all jerseys of the players.

Estimated number of teams next year - 14 (in need of one sponsor)

### *H. Ice Scheduler – Darlene Vorstenbosch*

2013-2014 was a hectic season for the WGHA. We added a Senior team and moved our Midget Rep team to BB. Both these teams needed 80-minute game times. We also had a brutal winter that led to multiple game delays, cancellations and rescheduling. This meant moving around games and practices to fit all the games in before end of season deadlines. It also put more pressure on our already tight ice time. Thanks to coaches, players and parents for their flexibility this season.

<b>Wilmot Wolverines Ice Time Allocation 2013-2014</b>						
<b>Sunday</b>	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>6:30 AM</b>	6:00 pm	5:30 pm	5:30 pm		<b>6:30 am</b>	11:30 am
<b>7:30 am</b>		6:30 pm	6:30 pm		4:30 pm	12:30 pm
<b>1:30 pm</b>		7:30 pm	7:30 pm		8:00 pm	1:30 pm
<b>5:00 pm</b>		8:30-9:50 pm				2:30 pm
<b>6:00 pm</b>						3:30 pm
<b>7:00 pm</b>						4:30 pm
<b>8:30 pm</b>						5:30 pm
<b>9:30 pm</b>						

We added 2 early morning practices and an extra half hour on Tuesdays this year which helped in getting teams at least one practice each week, although it did not always work out as teams would have away games and tournaments which meant they were not always available for weekend practices. We were also able to use the early morning ice times on Sundays for goalie clinics instead of taking prime time ice that we could use for games. For next season we are looking for ice outside of the township but this will be early morning and late night ice times not prime time and it will come with a higher cost for the association as our ice here is subsidized. There were some scheduling conflicts this season around the booking of coaches' clinics, as were waiting to see how the teams would be categorized and the amount of ice time they would need and then the instructors were not available on dates we had chosen. This season we are looking to pre-book all clinics over the summer to avoid this problem.

We had a number of issues this season with coaches cancelling ice at the last minute. We ask for 10 days notice for a team to cancel ice, as we need to give the township 7 days notice of cancellation or we will still have to pay for the ice. The extra time gives us time to find another team to take the ice or to cancel. It is hard to reschedule practices with enough notice for parents when we do not receive the cancellation in a timely fashion. With our tight ice allotment we really do not like to see the ice sitting empty. We will be looking to work closely with all coaches to see if we cannot fix this issue.

Use of the website has been very beneficial this year. It makes it easier to see what teams are available to take an extra practice if one should come available, especially if the teams keep all their calendars updated. It still takes time to contact the coaches to see if they will take the practice but there are fewer teams that we need to contact. Our preference is to schedule all practices to Christmas in early

October and from January to March in December. If the weather cooperates next season, the schedule should be more consistent than this past season.

This season saw one rep team going to Lower Lakes Championship Weekend; and three going to Provincials. We also had 5 local league teams going on to semi finals and the Kitchener League Championship Weekend. This meant that there was far less “extra “ ice available for teams than in other years. Our ice contract runs from September to March so ice for rep teams going on to Provincials and league championship weekend had to be booked from what spring ice was not being used by groups who regularly book ice for April and May. This meant we were getting a lot of early evening or morning and late night practice times.

*Question by Mel James – daughter played local league and was still playing in March. Unfortunately the perception was that the other teams were not still in the running.... Question is are we giving preference to teams who are still in the running? Darlene has asked to table it and discuss off line as she cannot recall the team she is speaking of. She is aware of the coach that declined ice time and curious if that is the same coach with the issue?*

Over the summer we will be going through a number of scenarios as to how best to assign the ice that we have once we get the contract for next season. Once the number of teams is finalized in August and we know what ice if any that we can add here or elsewhere, we will decide how best to assign ice. The first few weeks of the ice schedule should be up on the website in mid- August, hopefully up to scheduling day for the 2 leagues we have to schedule for.

### *I. Local League Director (see attached ppt.) – Erica van Rooyen*

For the 2013/14 Season; we had a total of 6 local league teams;

- Novice – Rob Waechter – A pool
- Atom – Jacob Dickie – B pool
- Peewee 1 – Rob Kelly – C pool
- Peewee 2 – Stewart Duckworth – C pool
- Bantam – Jason Zehr – B pool
- Midget LL – Rick Weir – A pool

\*\* All teams but Peewee 2 made it to the semi-finals this year.

\*\* Both our Novice and Midget teams made it to Championship Sunday and both received silver

#### Novice

Our novice team made it all the way to Championship Sunday. That game went to a shootout and was very exciting. The shootout rules are that every player has to shoot before a player can repeat. Our head coach had girls crying on the bench because they did not want to shoot which obviously is not what we want the girls’ final memory of their season to be.

For goalie development, Rob encouraged the girls to try the position in practices and games.

Atom

This team went to the semi-finals. We initially had a tough time recruiting a coach for the team. We were very grateful that Jacob Dickie (a cousin to one of the players) stepped forward to coach our Atom team.

For goalie development, we had two girls who played goalie or played out when not in net.

Peewee 1 & 2

We had a shortage of goalies at the Peewee level and both teams were challenged as a result.

Bantam LL

Jason Zehr has been a long-time coach for WGHA. This team was fortunate to be able to run the Ford Test Drive fundraiser at the Kyla Kowalik tournament.

Midget LL

This team had a head coach who did not have a child on the team. This was Rick's first year coaching girls after many years of coaching Midget boys. The girls had voiced at the beginning of the year that they wanted to make it all the way to the Championship Sunday and the girls did make it to the Championship Sunday after winning the semi-final game in an exciting 8 shooter shoot out.

Kitchener Girls Hockey League

There was a suggestion put forward to the KGHL that the semi and final games should be switched to a best of 3 series. The positives of this change would be that a team could still have one bad game without losing the opportunity to move. However, that would mean no more Championship Sunday. I am not sure that KGHL will move forward on this issue.

*J. Competitive Director – Stephen Dajka***7 rep teams from WGHA**

- 6 in Lower Lakes Female Hockey League (LLFHL)
  - Novice B/C
  - Atom B
  - Peewee C
  - Peewee BB
  - Bantam BB
  - Midget BB
- Also 1 team in SWOGHL → Senior C

**Novice B/C (LLFHL West loop):**

- Re-categorized to Novice C in December (WGHA request)
- Very young team – several players pulled up from Fundamentals to form team
- Team started to tie and win several games in 2<sup>nd</sup> half of season

- Regular season: 2-17-3 (6<sup>th</sup> of 6)

#### Tournament Achievements:

- Guelph Friendship Tournament → Silver (lost in 4-on-4 OT!)
- LLFHL Play-offs (competed at 'B'): 1<sup>st</sup> round - eliminated by Kitchener in 2 games
- OWHA Playdowns: no playdowns – all Novice C teams advanced
- Provincials: Finished round-robin with 1-2-0 record
- Did not advance to elimination round

#### Atom B (LLFHL Central West loop):

**Regular season:** 16-1-5 (2<sup>nd</sup> of 10)

#### Tournament Achievements:

- Stratford → Silver
- LLFHL Play-offs: 1<sup>st</sup> round sweep of Ancaster; 2<sup>nd</sup> round eliminated Cambridge in 3 games with 2-0-1 series record; 3<sup>rd</sup> round eliminated West Huron in third game O/T
- OWHA Playdowns: Finished 4<sup>th</sup> of 5 in region with 1-2-1 record
- Top 2 teams advanced to Provincials, so did not advance

#### LLFHL Championship Weekend:

- Gold Medalists
- 3<sup>rd</sup> WGHA LLFHL Gold, 4<sup>th</sup> ever LLFHL medal



#### Pee wee C (LLFHL West loop):

- Regular season: 4-11-7 (4<sup>th</sup> of 5)
- Tournament achievements:
  - Milverton Holiday Challenge → Gold
  - Orillia → semi-finalists
- LLFHL Play-offs: 1st round eliminated by Stoney Creek (3<sup>rd</sup> game shootout loss!)
- OWHA Playdowns: finished 3<sup>rd</sup> with 1-2-1 record
- Only one team advanced to Provincials ...



**Peewee BB (LLFHL West loop):****Regular season: 9-6-7 (4th of 9, 3<sup>rd</sup> tie-breaker between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> ...)**

- Tournament achievements:
- St. Thomas → semi-finalists
- Detroit Motown Cup → semi-finalists
- LLFHL Play-offs: 1st round eliminated Stratford in third game shootout; 2nd round eliminated by Belmont in 3 games
- Belmont went on to win Silver at LLFHL Championship Weekend
- OWHA Playdowns: Undefeated in playdowns with 9-0-1 record
- Provincials: Finished round-robin with 1-1-1 record
- Advanced to quarter finals, but were eliminated by St. Thomas (who won Provincial Bronze)
- Bantam BB (LLFHL West loop):
- Regular season: 11-8-3 (6<sup>th</sup> of 10)
- Climbed from 10<sup>th</sup> place with 11 point in final 6 games for play-off berth

**Tournament achievements:**

- Pittsburgh Thanksgiving Classic → Semi-finalists
- 3<sup>rd</sup> of 8 in round-robin, lost 4-2 in semis to tourney champs & host (Pittsburgh Predators)
- LLFHL Play-offs: 1st round eliminated by St. Thomas in 3<sup>rd</sup> game shootout
- OWHA Playdowns: Finished 5<sup>th</sup> in with 2-6-2 record
- Did not advance to Provincials (2 teams went)



### Midget BB (LLFHL South Central loop):

- First Midget rep team in several years and first at BB level
- Very young team (11 first year, 4 second year, 1 third year goalie)
- Several new players came from outside of WGHA to form team
- Regular season: 8-9-5 (9<sup>th</sup> of 11)
- Tournament achievements:
- Scarborough Sharks New Years Classic → Gold medalists
- Pittsburgh Thanksgiving Classic → Consolation champs
- LLFHL Play-offs: Did not make play-offs (short by 1 win in tie-breaker)
- OWHA Playdowns: Finished with 1-4-1 record
- Beat & tied Region M winner, but did not advance to Provincials (1 team went)
- First Midget rep team in several years and first at BB level
- Very young team (11 first year, 4 second year, 1 third year goalie)
- Several new players came from outside of WGHA to form team
- Regular season: 8-9-5 (9<sup>th</sup> of 11)
  - Beat & tied Region M winner, but did not advance to Provincials (1 team went)



#### Tournament achievements:

- Scarborough Sharks New Years Classic → Gold medalists
- Pittsburgh Thanksgiving Classic → Consolation champs
- LLFHL Play-offs: Did not make play-offs (short by 1 win in tie-breaker)
- OWHA Playdowns: Finished with 1-4-1 record

### Senior C (SWOGHL):

- First year offering a Senior team in WGHA
- Rough start: lost 5 players, then gained 3
- Used (5) call-ups from Midget LL occasionally
- Ultimately built a solid foundation of players that plan to play next season
- Provides a place for WGHA players to play into adulthood
- Tournament achievements:
- London → went 1-2-0
- LLFHL Play-offs: 1<sup>st</sup> round eliminated by Milverton (who won B-group championship)
- OWHA Playdowns: no playdowns – all Novice C teams advanced
- Provincials: 0-2-1 record

### Summary of Season:

- Successes seen at all levels: Novice → Senior
- Including 3 gold medals and some new banners for our WGHA wall!
- Lots of Game 3 shootouts seen in LLFHL (both WGHA and elsewhere)!
- Proposed rule change to increase Game 3 overtime to 10 minute 4-on-4
  - Will be voted on at AGM in June
- Proposed 2014/15 WGHA rep teams
- Could be as many as 9 (depends on registration numbers)
- May include 2<sup>nd</sup> teams ('B/C') in Pee wee, Bantam & Midget
- Also includes Senior B team

### Upcoming Events:

- June 8: LLFHL AGM (Competitive Director to attend)
- June 15: Preliminary registration of teams with LLFHL
- WGHA 2014/15 Rep tryouts
- Approximately Sept. 2-12 (not confirmed yet; Sept. 1 is labour day)
- Roster submission from coaches
- Due ~Sept. 24 (WGHA must have to LLFHL by ~Sept. 27)
- Leaves just over a week to hold add'l qualifying exhibition games after tryouts
- Very important to avoid re-categorization mid-way through season!!
- LLFHL Scheduling Day: Sept. 28
- Prospective coaches: be prepared to have a team representative (staff) attend this!
- Regular season usually begins the day after (Sept. 29)
  - **More details after the LLFHL AGM**
  - **Rep team questions? Please contact Competitive Director**
  - Contact info is on WGHA web-site

Question by Lori Spoltore – can we get away from signing game sheets? Answer by Betty from OWHA: It is for the purpose of OWHA insurance.

### *K. Tournament Director – Lisa Clifford*

This year the Kyla Kowalik tournament was run January 10, 11, and 12, 2014. It was the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Kyla Kowalik tournament and the third year that we have had it on the second weekend of January. It seems to be a good weekend for attracting teams, better than when we held it on a later weekend.

We were unable to field a Novice division as we only had 2 teams register for it. Had to fold it as per OWHA rules. We did still have 28 teams register for the tournament in total: with 10 Atom teams, 6 Pee wee teams, 8 Bantam teams and 4 Midget teams. Going forward would hope to run all the divisions that we have here in Wilmot at local league.

We definitely had an increased number of out of town teams. These were teams that use our tournament for their “sleep away” tournament.

We were able to use both ice surfaces on the Friday, Saturday and Sunday for most of all those days. We got a visit from the OWHA representative. She came to check out our tournament as it has been running for several years, now seems to be doing well, and they have received positive feed back about

it. The OWHA rep had initially thought that she was in the wrong arena as we had put a lot of effort into a house league tournament that it looked like a rep tournament. She was pleased to see that the WGHA was running such an enjoyable tournament not just for the players but also for the families as well with all the extras.

An OWHA Referee representative also came out to the tournament. She came to check out our officials, referees, game sheets, etc. We had only a few minor issues and they were corrected while she was still on the site.

Looking forward to next year, we have booked the arena ice surfaces, community center and lobbies for January 9, 10, and 11, 2015. All is hopeful that things go well then too.

Constitutional and Bylaw matters by Val Sanderson (see attached Motion of Amendments to the WGHA Constitution Submitted April 16, 2014).

## *Election of Officers*

### **1.) Automatically Filled Position**

Past President      Val Sanderson      (Automatically filled by outgoing President)

### **2.) Serving Second Year of Two Year Term**

Registrar              Melanie Weiler

### **3.) Confirm Appointment**

Appointed by, Seconder

Treasurer	Colleen Huras	(V. Sanderson, L. Clifford) → Carried
Ice Scheduler	Darlene Vorstenbosch	(V. Sanderson, S. Dajka) → Carried
Webmaster	Darren Chapman	(V. Sanderson, C. Huras) → Carried

### **4.) Election of Executive**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Declared Candidates</b>	<b>Nominated by</b>	<b>Seconder</b>	<b>Motion</b>

<u>Position</u>	<u>Declared Candidates</u>	<u>Nominated by, Seconder</u>
President	Michele Brenneman	(V. Sanderson, C. Huras) → Carried
Vice President	Leslie Morton	(M. Brenneman, T. McIntyre) → Carried
Communications Director	Michele Postrozny	(D. Vorstenbosch, S. Dajka) → Carried
Competitive Director	Stephen Dajka	(M. Brenneman, C. Huras) → Carried
Local League Director	Erica Van Rooyen	(L. Clifford, H. Bast) → Carried
Director of Staff Development	Tabatha McIntyre	(L. Morton, M. Postrozny) → Carried
Director of Player Development	Holly Bast	(M. Brenneman, L. Spoltore) → Carried
Fundraising Director	Lori Spoltore	(M. Weiler, M. Brenneman) → Carried
Tournament Director	Lisa Clifford	(D. Vorstenbosch, D. Chapman) → Carried
Equipment Director	Sandra Cook	(T. McIntyre, L. Morton) → Carried
Director at Large/Secretary	OPEN POSITION -	
Nominated Yolanda Galambos-Deep by Holly Bast, Second by Darlene V		



### *New Business:*

- Ice Scheduling - see attached Analysis
  - Atom LL had the most AM practices
  - Late practices – Midget LL and Midget BB
  - Friday at 4:30 were allocated to the younger teams
  - Total Ice-time hours – 55-65 hours for local team, rep teams had 75-95 hrs.
    - Note that ice time also included longer ice time sessions for older groups who require more time to play games.
  - Val mentioned that we would like to post a FAQ doc for parent groups to review
  - Observation – regarding Atom LL team didn't share ice as much as Atom Rep teams
    - Novice C sharing with Atom B – if Novice shared with Local Team would that work better for teams?
    - We need to look into why Rep teams are sharing ice and paying Rep fees
    - Rep fees also include ref fees and timekeepers – ie. Atom B vs. Atom Rep had 10 games
  - The executive is certainly looking to obtain more ice time on Monday & Wednesday – meeting schedule in the upcoming weeks to review. We are also looking into obtaining ice outside our community
- Comment on the floor regarding the Bursary Award being allocated to a male vs. female.
  - In Order to apply for the Bursary you had to be a member of the Wolverines, show dedication to the community and an applicant for Post Secondary School. There is a sub-committee who review the application, once reviewed, the committee then presented to Jim Fetter who reviews and selects the candidate with the committee.

*Adjournment – Motion to Adjourn – Michele P, Second Darren Chapman → Carried.*