

June 26, 2023

Executive Meeting.

Ice Director Report-June

- On June 19, 2023, attended the City of Thunder Bay meeting on Ice Allocation with Paul Burke and Carey Kozak.
- Appointed to sit on City of Thunder Bay Ice Allocation committee as the TBWHA representative.
- Ice Allotment for the upcoming season is broken down as such.
 - a. Junior Division (166 registered from last season)
 - i. 70 players under 10 years of age at 1 hour per = 70 hours of ice
 - ii. 96 players over 11 at 1.5 hours per = 144 hours of ice
 - iii. Total Ice Allotment= **214 hours**
 - b. Rep Division (120 registered from last season)
 - i. 8 players under 10 yrs of age at 1 hour per= 8 hours
 - ii. 112 players over 11 at 1.5 hours = 167 hours
 - iii. Total Ice Allotment= **175 hours**
 - c. Senior Division (122 registered from last season)
 - i. 122 at 1.5 hours= **183 hours of ice.**
- I also met with Grandview Rec after meeting, and they have my contact information for any unused ice that they do not use on Sundays at Grandview.
- Grandview Rec identified one issue with Fury teams from last year with double bookings. **(This would be a city issue vs a league issue)**
- Upcoming issues for season related to the addition of Fury Teams in the LHML- This will require 16 hours of ice for each division. We now will need to use 48 hours of Junior Ice. There needs to be a way to recover this? Do we charge an Ice fee to the Fury teams, how do we supplement the house league kids who are losing the ice. If it is a stand alone team, no issue. Is the 16 hours per team the responsibility of the team to replace to league?
- I am hoping to work with Cory Hrubeniak (Queens) and come up with a standard ice schedule so that kids and age groups can as close as possible play and practice at a consistent rink vs all over the city.
- I will reach out to LHML to discuss the loops and what days they prefer to play on etc.
- I am looking at other Hockey associations for Ice allotment and how they do it. For example Ottawa;
 - **IP1W (once a week)** for new players aged 4 to 6 years old (meets once a week only). This program is targeted for 4, 5, or 6-year-olds who are interested in a learn to skate program in a hockey environment. As this will be once a week, the program will be designed to teach introductory skating and hockey skills. Your child does not

need to know how to skate to participate in this program. Full hockey gear including a mouth guard is mandatory. To make the program as family-friendly as possible, there will be no sessions on Thanksgiving weekend, during the Christmas and New Year's timeframe, or on Family Day weekend.

- **IPA** for 4 and 5-year-old players (meets twice a week)
- **IPB** for 5 and 6-year-old players (meets twice a week). IPB works towards preparing players to make the transition into the Novice level by the introduction of goalies, and some of the basic rules of hockey as part of their year-end skill development.

WHITBY GHA

- Unlike other associations, the WGHA will be offering two ice times per week whereas most associations are offering only one ice time per week. One for a traditional Practice following the Hockey Canada program. The second will be a combination of skills development and games that also follow the Hockey Canada program. WGHA players will progress and develop sooner and will be more prepared to transition to full ice Hockey.

STONY CREEK

- SCGHA will provide this foundation by delivering a 1 hour weekly session throughout the season.
- Spoke with Shannon Taddeo-Hanner (Website master TBWHA) looking at ways to add all the ice to Sports Engine, including any open Ice we can get to allow coaches to book it so we don't give it back or burn it.

Respectfully Submitted

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