



Saskatoon & District

Female Hockey

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News letter 2010

## **Avoid the fall line up:**

**EARLY REGISTRATION! MAIL IN REGISTRATION FORMS  
BEFORE AUG15/10**

**TO BOX 28035 SASKATOON, SASK , S7M5V8.**

**OR**

**Go on line to the Comets web site under forms and fill out the online early registration form and email it in to [femalehockey@sasktel.net](mailto:femalehockey@sasktel.net). It must be in full payment with a Master card, Visa, or cheque prior to August 15/10 to receive discount.**

## **Fall Registration**

**Fall Registration will be on August 31/10 from 7:00 p.m. to 9.00 pm at the Comets office. The Comets office is located at #4-112 Ave E north behind the Coop gas bar off of 22<sup>nd</sup> street (take the alley). This location will accept Mater card, Visa, debit, cheque or cash for payment. Receipt will be printed at time of transaction. We do accept post dated cheques but you will have to pay half of the fees on the registration day. The final payment must be done by December 01/10 deadline.**

**September 02/10 will be alternative registration day from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m at Greystone Heights School which is located on 2721 Main Street. Master card and visa will be accepted but receipt will be mailed out. Cheques and cash also accepted.**

## Team Name Selection

All chairpersons were requested to bring forward six team names to be used in their division. These team names will be picked on the draft night along with the players. If you coached the previous year and your team name is listed you would get first choice on the same name of your team. This will speed up the process for making schedules and the hockey Canada website. They have all been passed



**Initiation:** Speedy Comets, Shooting Comets, Comet Stars.

Motion to accept these names as the official team names for the Initiation Division put forward by Randy Weller.

**Novice:** Shooting Comets, Rockets, Storm, Mission, Comet Stars.

Motion to accept these names as the official team names for the Novice Division put forward by Randy Weller.

**Atom:** Spitfire, wired, Hurricanes, Force, Rebels, Fusion

Motion to accept these names as the official team names for the Atom Division put forward by Karla Drury.

**Peewee:** Fusion, Force, Hurricane, Heat, Thunder, Storm.

Motion to accept these names as the official team names for the Peewee Division put forward by Karin Heaney.

**Bantam:** Snipers, Thunder, Fusion, Heat, Force

Motion was passed to accept these names as the official team names for the Bantam Division put forward by Peter MacLachlan.

**Midget:** Cyclones, Storm, Inferno, Thunder, Lightning, Hurricanes

Motion to accept these names as the official team names for the Midget Division put forward by David Peet.

# **Lexi Gabruch&Karina Misfeldt Memorial Awards**



Nominate a player or team you feel would be great recipients of this award. Initiation, novice, atom, peewee and bantam one award for each. The recipient must be an individual or team currently a Saskatoon and District Female Hockey player and they must have achieved a minimum of two of the following criteria.

Displayed extraordinary contributions above and beyond their /her regular club team, participated for the love and betterment of the sport.

Continue to display positive ambassadorship to the Saskatoon and District Female Hockey Association, on and off the ice by showing: excellent leadership, good sportsmanship or fair play on a continual basis.

Lexi awards are to Initiation, Novice, Atom, Peewee and Bantam age.

Is a positive mentor to fellow players in all divisions by assisting with on or off ice activities. All submissions must be in writing and received no later than August 30<sup>th</sup> 2010 to any executive member or email to [r.raymond@sasktel.net](mailto:r.raymond@sasktel.net)

Coaches' awards

Karina Misfeldt award this is only for midget age players same criteria as Lexi award.

## **Coach of the Year Award:**

Nominate the coach of the year who has gone above and beyond for the female hockey. Please show support for our great coaching volunteers. Same deadline as Lexi award.

## **Want To Be Part Of Our Team?**

Executive positions still available! The positions are: Mentor, Bingo Coordinator and Promotions and Communication. This is a great way to give back to a non profit organization. We are always looking for new and fresh ideals to better our female hockey club. Community support has contributed to this incredible growth and success of this emerging female sport. The Comets players range in age from five to nineteen. Their skill level ranges from beginner to very competitive. Their reasons for playing vary from meeting new friends to high performances completion. They live throughout the city of Saskatoon with a growing population coming in from surrounding communities within an hour's drive of the city. We aspire to provide the skills and equipment necessary to assist our coaches and players to continue to be excellent athletes and ambassadors for our community. Please consider joining as a volunteer, executive, coach or player for the 2010-2011 seasons.

## First Time Hockey Player

First time ever registration to Comets hockey for Novice and Initiation cost for the 2010-2011 season.

Fall registration only:

- **Novice - \$480- ½ price for first time registration to the Comets**

- **Initiation - \$345- ½ price for first time registration to the Comets**

## Breaking News from the Comets Executive

### INITIATION – NOVICE Eldon Amundson

#### **Initiation**

There were 2 teams this year. They were coached by Jeff Arnold and Michael Will.

Thank you to the coaches, assistant coaches and helpers.

#### **Novice**

The novice program consisted of teams.

One team coached by Carla Drury and Wade Hindmarsh played tier 2.

Two teams played tier 3. They were coached by Chris Read and Chad Pilbeam.

The teams consisted of 17 players each.. When we registered the teams with Saskatoon minor there were 14 and 15 players on the teams. Late registrations added to the team sizes. We need to encourage early registrations.

Thank you to the coaches, assistant coaches and helpers.

I am stepping down as Initiation / novice coordinator. The Initiation and Novice tryouts should be scheduled back to back to reduce travel and time spent.

#### **ATOM Karla Drury**

This year we ended up with 5 tier 3 teams and 1 tier 2 team.

Tier 3 Coaches were: Grant Gerlitz, Geoff Koehler, Frank Long, Carla McKormick and Dan Holmes. The tier 2 team was coached by Lee Jacobson.

The tier 3 teams played in SMHA's city tiers against all of the zones and faired well. The tier 2 team did well this year in their division as well.

#### **PEEWEE**

The Pee wee coaches are Corey Young, Wes Ramsay, Shane Skjerven, Evan Pardy, Brian Thorstad and Dallas Ostrum

The provincial A team coached by Dean Hurlburt .This year the Pee wee AA team was in with the Atom 1 boy's league. Before Christmas they were in 4<sup>th</sup> spot over all, then after Christmas they finished fifth overall. The boys enjoyed playing against the girls or rather the girls enjoyed it more. The size difference did not really matter after Christmas. The Pee wee league was very competitive all teams very even. They had exhibition games against boys which in fall will interlock with boys but will have separate cities playoffs.



## **BANTAM Peter Maclachlan**

The year started off with a bit of a struggle, being there was only one coached signed up one week before try outs started. Four more coaches were lined and out of that three were selected to fill in the vacant team positions.

Tryouts went very well with lots of feedback from the four coaches and three other evaluators. Proof was that the league was well balanced with only 1 point separating three teams and most games being within 2 goals.

There were some growing pains playing a mixed division with the four non contact bantam boy teams. A few issues came up at mid season of players not respecting each other or other teams while on the ice. These were dealt with as soon as they came up to the two respective coordinators and the season continued.



By the end of the season the 8 team mixed division was very competitive, excluding one boys team who dominated the division this year. All other teams were very competitive and made for great games throughout the entire season.

The league play-offs finished with the same competitiveness as the regular season with 4 out of the 8 playoff games being decided by one goal.

Congratulation goes out to all the teams, players and coaches for a great year.

## **MIDGET Dean Wilyman**

- About 85 Midget players in total this year

### 4 Midget A/Club Teams

- 3 teams with 1 goaltender & 15 skaters, 1 team finished with 1 goaltender & 17 skaters
- Started the year with 4 goaltenders for 4 teams – lost one goaltender that went to a AA Midget team outside Saskatoon – so we scrambled to find a 4<sup>th</sup> goaltender which we finally found just before the season started
- All age groups need to work on developing more goaltenders so groups do not face this goaltending issue as they get older – this issue is not just an issue this year for this age group – it will be an issue for any group that does not encourage and facilitate more than one player playing goal on teams
- Generally, we had a good season. Our goal this season was to have complete parity in the league such that on any night any team could beat any other team in the league

- We had 3 of the 4 teams that basically fit that category, unfortunately the 4<sup>th</sup> did not always fit that classification. They were the team that lost their goaltender just prior to the season. The goaltender replacement was a bantam goaltender with very limited experience. At the end of the season she had improved immensely and was doing very well and the team was much improved but there were some tough learning steps along the way.
- The coaches were Wes Reese from The Comets, Kelly Crozier from the Royals, Tim Pawliuk from the city finalist Storm, and Orest Baron from city Champion Ice Hawks. I would like to say a big 'Thank You' to the 4 coaches, their assistants, team managers and other helpers for the time they put in this season.

### 1 **Midget AA** team in the North Sask. Female League

- 15 skaters
- 1 goaltender
- Coached by Ron MacLean and staff. Thanks to Ron and staff.
- League (Div. 1) and Provincial Champions (in double overtime)
- Won every game except one which ended in a tie



### **Midget A Provincial Program**

- Coached by James Hennessey and his staff. Thanks to James and staff.
- Team was formed late, just prior to the Dec. 15 deadline, from interested club players
- Team had Bantam aged goaltending – no Midget aged goaltender tried out
- Team won game 1 by one goal then lost game 2 by two goals so lost that round to the eventual provincial champions from Tisdale/Melfort
- To enhance the Midget program I have some ideas for the next Midget Coordinator and

In closing, I will not be back as the Midget Coordinator next year. I believe there is at least one person interested in filling that role. Anyone interested should put your name forward for that position or another Executive position. The Comets executive truly needs people to step up, volunteer some time and provide input to ensure the program runs effectively and potentially to take it to a completely new level.

### **AA NORTH SASK Ron Mclean**

The NSFHL was comprised of 7 teams for this past year. Bigger, West Central, Prince Albert, Elrose, North East, the Saskatoon Bantam AA and the Midget AA TEAM. Both Saskatoon teams did quite well this year with the Bantam finishing 5<sup>th</sup> and winning their first round of playoff against P.A. before losing to the Saskatoon Midgets in their

next round. The Midgets finished first in the league and then went on to win the league banner against West Central team in the final. The Midget team also won the Provincial title against Regina, capping off an undefeated season. The Bantams were coached by Health Tyndall and Rick Girolami the Midgets by Ron Mclean and Dave Westbury. There is talk of trying to get the NSFHL and the new SSFHL to somehow do some interlock play, and that will be discussed at the spring meeting.

### **REGISTRAR Deb Folk**

We have seen our numbers grow again this year. Our current player membership totals 421, which a database has been created to include the players, name, address, parents, and email address. Last years players' numbers were 374.

This year we offered a \$100.00 credit for a new player in the Atom and Novice division, we seen 30 players take advantage of this promotion.

Our organization had 65 new players register with the Comets.

Initiation 26 players

### **EQUIPMENT Wayne Gerlinsky**

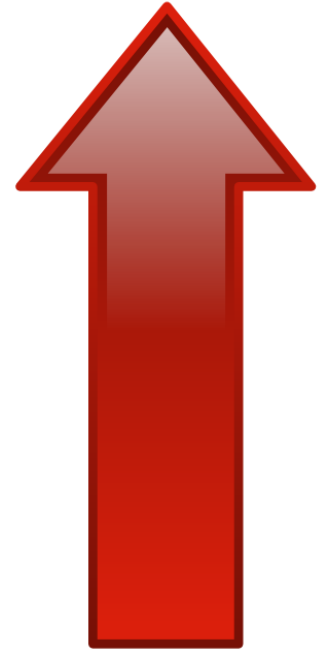
We have New Jersey for all division now. We have goalie equipment also. We bought racks to put every division separate. Each division has two sets of try out jersey. We will be ready for the fall. We do rental of goalie hockey equipment over the summer if interested. Deposited is given back in return of equipment.

### **BINGO Deb folk**

We are a member of the Amalgamated Charities of Saskatchewan. Amalgamated Charities run bingo halls in Regina, Swift Current and Moose Jaw. Currently, our bingos are at the Club West Bingo Hall. Bingo are available for the summer please call Deb for the dates and time also on the website.

### **PROMOTIONS & COMMUNICATIONS Sandra Paradis**

A survey will be created and circulated to the parents regarding Calendars and 50/50 tickets. Some have mentioned that a organization fee would be better than having too many calendars and just filling out every 50/50 ticket each year. Others like the calendars and tickets.



## **ASST COMMISSIONER Rachelle Raymond**

Thank you all of the volunteers that helped out this year, your assistance helped make this year a success for the Comets zone. Thank you to all our female athletics for their dedication, hard work, fair play and team work but most of all the fun we had this year. Some of the friendship that the athletics have made will last a life time. Thank you to the parents for getting them to the rink and making sure that they have everything before they leave the house this in its self proves to be challenging. Thank you to the fans a great number of them being grand parents I am pretty sure they have no nails left. Again in September we will be having tryouts. We are negotiating with Dalmeny right now and will keep everyone posted. It does keep our cost down to go out to Dalmeny you must also remember that at the same time we have 6 zones and tier 1 tryouts going on all at the same time that is why we are very short on ice in town.

October 04/10 will be the start of the October ice. November 01/10 will be the start of regular season.

August 31 and September 02 are what is listed on the calendars for registration will keep you posted on these dates.

Ice cost last year was 145.00 per hour after subsidy this year it will be 154.00 which will be approx 5% increase. Referees will also increase 2.5% in pay.

We are accepting applications for people who would like to coach for the 10/11 season. I have copies print out please give to your coordinator or any executive member its better to do this sooner than later. Coaches Application deadline will August 01/10

If you like being part of a great organization please put your name forward for our vacant executive positions on this board.



**COMMISSIONER Tracey Verishine**

The Comets zone continues to grow with the number of female players and their calibre of hockey. Every year we have seen growth and this year has been no exception. We are proud of all our teams from the first time initiation player to the seasoned AA Midget veterans.

We are continually growing, changing and adapting to better serve the over 400 players, 30 head coaches and 100 plus assistant coaches, trainers, managers, treasurers and jersey washers.

We have seen competition, integration and new initiatives taken to a new level and are constantly surprised by the countless hours that multitudes of people put in towards the growth of the program. These initiatives will be discussed by the coordinators in their respective divisions or the board members who have initiated and have monitored their changes over the season.



our registration, and access to continue to do so. This year was an exceptional year for feedback for our coaches and our programs. This information is taken very seriously and will be used in future years to develop an even stronger program for the club and competitive player, coaching staff and zone.

We are streamlining jersey distribution, website administration and will be based on your responses. We are streamlining jersey distribution, website administration and will be based on your responses. We are streamlining jersey distribution, website administration and will be based on your responses.

The popularity of “all” female teams and alternative competitive levels proves to be inviting to both urban and rural players. This also comes with challenges and costs. Future cost benefit analysis’ will take place to explore the pros and cons of this integration to the female program and the whole of SMHA.

As commissioner of the zone I have been proud to have been part of: the fresh new look for our “brand”, new programs started and still in operation, a healthy financial accounting, and a stability and transparency in the community.

On behalf of the zone I would like to thank: fellow executive members, coaches, parents, players and fans for their support and their patience in the bigger picture of minor hockey. I would also like to thank the community including: KidsSport, corporate donors, and SMHA for their direction and support in all aspects of the sport we love.

## Champions

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Ron McLean (Midget AA) and Warren Campbell (PeeWee - Tier 1) on Coach of the year Award FROM S.M.H.A



### North Saskatchewan Female Hockey League Champions

**Comets** – Female Midget AA - Coaches: Ron McLean and Dave Westbury

### Provincials Champions

**Comets** – Female Midget AA - Coaches: Ron McLean and Dave Westbury

### City Champs

**Comet Banana Splits** - PeeWee Comets - Head Coach: Brian Thorstad  
Runner-Up – **Comet Snipers**, Head Coach: Corey Young

**Comet Fusion** - Bantam Comets - Head Coach: Kirby Drury  
Runner-Up – **Comet Polar Bears**, Head Coach: John Konkin

**Comet Ice Hawks** - Midget A Comets - Head Coach: Orest Baron  
Runner-Up – **Comet Storm**, Head Coach: Tim Pawliuk

### 2010 SMHA Provincial Reps – Results

**PeeWee AA** – Finalist- Comet Canucks- Coach: Dallas Ostrom

**PeeWee A**- Semi-finalist- Comets- Coach: Dean Hurlburt

**Bantam AA**- Finalist- Comets- Coach: Heath Tyndall

**Bantam A- Finals**- Comets- Coach: Dave McCullough

**Midget AA- Champions**- Comets- Coach: Ron Mclean

**Midget A- Semi-Finalist**- Comets- Coach: James Hennessey

## **Fees For Both Spring And Fall Registration**

**Early bird Registration as follows:**

**\$40 Camp fee conditioning**

**Midget – \$640**

**Bantam - \$630**

**Pewee - \$620**

**Atom - \$533**

**Novice - \$455**

**Initiation - \$320**

**Association fee \$100**

**Deadline: August 15, 2010 payment in full.**

**Fall Registration as follows:**

**\$40 Camp fee conditioning**

**Midget - \$665**

**Bantam - \$655**

**Pewee - \$645**

**Atom - \$560**

**Novice - \$480**

**Initiation - \$345**

**Association Fee \$100**

**Deadline: December 01, 2010 payment in full.**

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**1992 players are able to play one year as an overage in Midget**



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c/o Box 28035, Saskatoon, SK S7M 5V8

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## 2010 – 2011 Hockey Season (Fall Registration)

Please Print:

Last Name:

(Per: Birth Certificate)

Home Address:

City, Postal Code:

Birth Date (dd/mm/yr):

E-mail Address 1:

E-mail Address 2:

First Name:

(Per: Birth Certificate)

Parent – Mother:

Phone# (Mother):

Parent – Father:

Phone # (Father):

Preferred Position:

Home / Work / Cell

Home / Work / Cell

Please indicate if you intend to try out for any of the following teams:

Midget AA  ATOM 2  
 Prov Midget A  Novice 2  
 Bantam AA  
 Prov Bantam A  
 Prov Pee Wee AA  
 Prov Pee Wee A

Please contact the division co-coordinator for more information re Tryout Times.

Previously Registered:  Yes  No

**PROOF OF AGE:**

Birth Certificate #:

Hospitalization #:

**NOTE:** If a player has NOT been previously registered with SMHA, proof of age must be provided. Please submit at registration a photocopy of proof of age.

### CANCELLATION POLICY:

1. A refund of 50% of the full registration fee paid shall be issued if a player quits prior to December 1<sup>st</sup>. The association fee is non refundable. A formal letter requesting the refund must be provided to the Registrar within seven (7) days of notification that the player has quit.
2. There shall NOT be a REFUND issued if a player quits after December 1<sup>st</sup>. The effective date for all refunds shall be the date that the Zone Registrar is informed that the player has quit. A formal letter of notification that the player has quit must be provided to the Registrar.
3. There shall be no appeal of this refund policy under any circumstance. Medical circumstances will be considered with attached documentation.
4. Refunds will be processed after October 31.

### MENTORSHIP PROGRAM:

Please check if you are interested in mentoring younger players:

**CONDITIONING CAMP:** Offered in September for Midget, Bantam, Pee Wee, Atom & Goaltenders (\$40 / four 1 hr skates). Please check one if you're interested:

**Please make all checks payable to:  
Saskatoon & District Female Hockey**

	BIRTH YR	FEES	
Conditioning Camp	(M,B,PW, Atom & Goaltenders)	\$ 40	
MIDGET	1993-1995	\$665	
BANTAM	1996-1997	\$655	
PEE WEE	1998-1999	\$645	
ATOM	2000-2001	\$560	
NOVICE	2002-2003	\$480	
INITIATION	2004-2005	\$345	
ASSOC FEE: \$50 /per family	* Non refundable	\$ 50	\$50.00
50/50 Tickets: Please contact Rachele Raymond for tickets, \$50 per book	r.raymond@sasktel.net	\$50	\$50.00

Maximum credit of \$150 at time of registration & must be covered by a post-dated check (dated Nov. 2, 2010), or bingo credits. If no funds are submitted, then KidSport credit will not be applied at time of registration.

\* Kid Sport:

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Master card or Visa Card # Expiry Date

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Rec By:	Cash/Check/CC #	Amount Paid	TOTAL
			<b>BALANCE</b>

**CHILDREN'S FITNESS TAX CREDIT:**  
Maximum amount of \$500 per year per child (16 years or under at any time during the taxation year) can be claimed. Please keep this form; This is your tax receipt.

Children's Fitness Eligible Amt:

Date Paid in Full:

Authorized Signature:

Must be paid in full by August 15/10. For credit card payment please email form to [femalehockey@sasktel.net](mailto:femalehockey@sasktel.net). Any further questions please contact Comets office. 651-7334(SDFA)

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