



North Delta Minor Hockey Association

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Membership Newsletter #20

As this will be the last President Message for 2013, I wanted to take a moment to wish everyone an enjoyable holiday season.

As you all know the jerseys were all distributed in November and we have received many compliments from both in and outside our Association on the new look.

There is growing pride in our new logo that will add to the enjoyment of the game for players and their families. Having replaced our entire inventory, we will be set for jerseys for some time to come and the costs associated with jersey replacement will be low for the coming seasons.

There have been issues with the sizing of the jerseys and we are working to address these so that all players have a new well-fitting jersey this season. The following is a timeline of our process:

Spring 2013 - The Board decided to change the design/make of the jersey and ordered replacement of all uniforms for the 2013/14 hockey season

September 2013 - Old North Delta jerseys were made available for families for a \$5 contribution to the Terry Fox Foundation - this program resulted in a \$3000 contribution to this worthy cause.

October 2013 - A second donation of \$615.00 was made to the Delta Assist for old jerseys sold during our 40th Anniversary Pancake Breakfast.

December 2013 - New jerseys arrived and were distributed to teams. Sizing issue was identified and a second order (for delivery early in the New Year) was submitted.

I think those were all very positive Board decisions. Although, the timing of receiving the jersey's from overseas and the need for additional sizes was not ideal, moving forward will put us in a great position with our inventory. The new sizes will be used as soon as we get them, while those not used this year will be kept and used as wear-and-tear replacements. It has been costly to get our full inventory in place, but we are well set up uniforms for the next several seasons and of course look good in the process. If your child does not yet have a well-fitting new jersey, I thank you for your patience. Please be assured our equipment manager is working to correct this issue as soon as we can.

The food drive was successful with over 3258 items and the above mention donation was distributed to Delta Assist. There were over 1000 more food items than 2012. Thank you for the team of parents who organized this event and to everyone for their generosity in helping those in need in our own community.

We are hosting several events during the winter break.

- December 21 – 24 – Hockey 2-4 Tournament at Sungod Arena and Tilbury Ice
- December 27-30 – Atom A1 and Pee Wee A1 Tournaments at Sungod Arena.
- December 28 – Giants Night for North Delta Minor Hockey

I would like to encourage you to take a moment to drop by the arenas to support our teams. Both groups have awesome prizes. The schedules are posted on the Tournament web page. Good luck to our 12 hosting teams and thank you to all those that have spent countless hours organizing the events.

For those teams entered into other tournaments and/or attending the Giants game we wish you fun and success.

After New Year's we have several Delta Cup games being played during January 4 and 5th and of course our annual Cupcake event will be mid-January.

Just a reminder our regular practice times will resume January 6, 2014.

Enjoy yourself during the break and have a healthy and prosperous New Year!

Sincerely,



Anita Cairney
President
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